WEATHER
Generally fair Sunday and probably Monday; continued cold.

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The WEEK

By A. M. Brayton

SENATOR BORAH, opponent of any sort of a league of nations, suggests an alliance between Great Britain, France, Japan and the United States to cut down armaments. America is in the absurd position of having refused to meet with the league representatives to discuss this question. Borah seems willing to rely upon the old methods of diplomacy which brought the world war, as the agency of peace. He seems unaware that there is even now going on a titanic struggle for supremacy between France and Great Britain, and that America is already being drawn into it as champion of the world's open door—through which we must pass.

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Hoover tells Harding that we should make the best of the league, not scrap it. He asks, "Why reopen the enumerable problems already disposed of?" Common sense! He might have added, "Why attempt to undo the work of forty-five nations at the dictation of ourselves and the colossal Argentina?"

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Austria has been admitted to the league. Germany should be taken in. It is announced that Germany is ready, but will not apply. Doubtless German statesmen do not want to invite the humiliation of rejection. Wallace, American ambassador at Paris, has refused to meet the German ambassador at the latter's request. German diplomats are not without grounds for apprehension as to the reception that might greet their application to the league.

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France, greatest war sufferer, receives an ambassador from Germany. Uncle Sam's Paris representative, refusing to meet him, looks foolish. Surely, we have less to forgive than has France. Wallace may say that France is at peace with Germany, while we are not. It is technically true, but practically it is bosh. The world does not want to forget the lessons of the war, but it does want to forget its hatreds. We fought the war for the best interests of humanity; today peace is for the best interests of humanity, and peace without goodwill means more war.

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We shall not soon forget German atrocities. They were grave and reprehensible. English news writers told us about them. Today we have British atrocities in Ireland. Of course there are atrocities on both sides, but Great Britain is the world's strongest nation, and Ireland is pathetically small in contrast. We, who fought England for independence, can not be without sympathy for Irish aspirations and Irish valor, even though we doubt her common sense. Idealists, like these emotional Celts, are not hard-headed. Perhaps, by old standards, England could justify an orderly and well disciplined military occupation of Ireland, but it can never justify the black and tan and their outrageous retaliation.

Again we should be in the League of Nations, where we might have a judicial voice regarding the Irish case. Now we can only scold unofficially, and make ourselves ridiculous.

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England wanted the Armenians aided. Armenian success meant the necessary link to complete the buffer between Soviet Russia and British interests in the near east and India. France was opposed. The French did not want such a buffer established. They wanted England kept too busy defending the near east and India to interfere with French ambitions for European control. It is even said France secretly aided the young Turks. But a bolshevist dictatorship in Armenia—that is something else. Lenine is resuming plans for a push through Poland to bolshevize the central countries, and then France. The old conflicting ambitions of these powers are on edge, who knows when we shall hear that old familiar phrase:

"There'll be trouble in the Balkans in the spring!"

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Value of farm products has shrunk five billion dollars, from fourteen to nine billions. Bumper crop—big supply. Exports cut down, mills over-stocked—demand.

It will be seen that, from the farmer's standpoint, a bumper crop has its drawbacks. The simpler way of saying it is that the more there is of a given commodity, the cheaper it is, and this is true without neglecting to make allowance for the trick of the bears who bid down the crop until they can buy it, and then turn bull and bid it up before they sell it. Some of these gentlemen are now caught despite their cleverness. Mills are loaded with high priced wheat, with flour falling. Bakers are loaded with high-priced flour, with cheaper bread inevitable.

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Some five or six years ago the Nonpartisan league began operations in North Dakota. They told the farmer there that they would solve his problems. They knocked out the elevator graft, which saved him from the chaps who bought his wheat at

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IRISH PEACE PARLEY SEEMS TO BE ENDED

Lloyd George Refuses to Recognize De Valera as President of Republic

CORRESPONDENCE WITH PRIEST DOES NOT ACCOMPLISH MUCH

Prime Minister Regrets "Closing Door to Good Counsels"

DUBLIN. — A large bomb was picked up in Merrion square Saturday. Revolvers, ammunition, gunpowder and eighty-eight sticks of gelignite were captured in a combined police and military raid on a rebel ammunition store at Templemore.

CORK.—The military inquiry into the Cork fires and looting opened at the military barracks Saturday. It was strictly private, witnesses being admitted only one by one. Maurice Healy had been instructed by the chamber of commerce and the Employers' federation to represent them at the inquiry but was informed last night that no lawyers would be admitted. In consequence, these two bodies have declined to give assistance to the court.

DUBLIN.—A lorry with military and police was ambushed Saturday morning a mile from Ennistimon, County Clare. Fierce fighting ensued, lasting several hours. Four soldiers and two policemen were wounded.

DUBLIN.—Intensified warfare—the usual accompaniment of peace parleys—marked the close of an eventful week in Ireland. Extensive raids and wholesale arrests by the police and military and increased activity of the Irish republican army in attacking the crown forces will make up the news in the Irish papers Sunday. Little will be published about the efforts of peace-makers to bring about a settlement, but if optimistic predictions of the principal intermediaries are fulfilled a truce is near at hand.

Support for Crown Forces

"Martial law circular No. 1," issued over the signature of General Sir Neville Macready Saturday, says that all the forces of the crown may rest assured that so long as, in trying to restore order, they do not exceed what is reasonably necessary for the purpose, they will have full approval and support. But all are warned against the commission of offenses against the person or property of any resident, the breaking into any house in search of plunder or the molesting of a sentry protecting a person or property.

Any person subject to military or martial law committing any of these offenses will be liable to court martial and sentence to death.

LONDON. — The correspondence which has been going on between Prime Minister Lloyd George and Father Michael O'Flanagan, "vice president of the Irish republic," in an effort to bring about a truce between England and the Sinn Fein organization apparently has been brought to an end.

Father O'Flanagan, in his latest message to Mr. Lloyd George, declared the only way to reconciliation was by "direct negotiations with the official head of the Irish nation, President De Valera."

Door Closed, Says Lloyd George

In his reply, sent Saturday, the prime minister said:

"This attitude closes the door to these counsels of good will which you invoked by beginning this correspondence."

Father O'Flanagan's message, read:

"While sending, through a message, peace and good will to the people of Ireland, your government have intensified their fiendish attacks upon our lives, our liberty and our property.

"How hollow your fair words read in the newspapers sandwiched between the burning of Cork and the murder of Cannon Magnor and Timothy Crowley.

"If you really wish for peace, allow the constitution adopted by the Irish people at the last general election to perform its legitimate functions, and acts of violence will soon become as rare in Ireland as in any of the most peaceful nations of the world. Then arrange the terms of a treaty by direct negotiations with the official head of the Irish nation, President De Valera. This is the only possible road to that reconciliation which vitally interests both nations."

Sought on Understanding

Mr. Lloyd George replied as follows:

"I had hoped that with moderation and common sense on both sides it might have been possible to reach an understanding which would put a stop to strife in Ireland and pave the way to a reconciliation. You now imply that in your judgment the only road to peace is the recognition of an Irish republic and the negotiations of

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SHAWLS WRAPPED ROUND LOW NECKS IN ZION TABERNACLE

ZION CITY, Ill.—Two women censors, armed with one dozen shawls, were appointed Saturday by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, overseer of Zion City to enforce an order against the wearing of low-neck dresses in the Zion Tabernacle. The censors are to place a shawl around any woman who violates the order, conduct her from the Tabernacle and surrender her to a waiting policeman. A sign has been posted across the front of the Tabernacle warning Zion women against wearing dresses without collars, skirts more than three inches above the ankle, open work stockings and transparent blouses.

MALFEASANCE LAID AGAINST GOODYEAR TIRE CO. DIRECTORS

Receiver Demanded by Lawyer; Officials See Attempt to Embarrass Company

COLUMBUS, O.—Asking appointment of a receiver and an accounting, Frank S. Monnett, Columbus attorney and former attorney general of Ohio Saturday filed suit in local courts against the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company of Akron, Ohio. Mr. Monnett, who is a stockholder in the company, charges the directors of the company with malfeasance in office.

Mr. Monnett states that the directors issued a 21-2 percent dividend last fall when they had no surplus on hand with which to pay it and that they derived funds for this purpose through the borrowing of money on the sale of stock.

The petition alleges this stock sale amounted to $27,000,000, that the company received less than 85 percent and that brokers received the remainder, and that the issuing of this stock was in violation of the terms of other preferred stock.

The petition further states that on July 1, 1920, the directors issued 150 percent stock dividend or $31,137,600 in common stock, and that there was no legal authority for such issuance, as the company was without a surplus.

AKRON, Ohio.—Goodyear Tire and Rubber company officials through their attorneys, stated that the suit brought by F. S. Monnett, in Columbus, is regarded as an attempt to embarrass this company and that it was initiated largely on the attorney's own personal motion. They will demand a speedy hearing of the case and express confidence that the receivership will be denied, he added.

Company Declared Solvent

AKRON, Ohio. — A. Seiberling, president of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber company, in making a statement on the suit filed at Columbus by Frank S. Monnett, former attorney general of Ohio, asking a receivership and accounting of the company, Saturday night declared that the company is absolutely slovent.

FOUR BOYS ARRESTED FOR STEALING FROM AUTOS PAROLED

The four boys arrested a week ago Saturday for looting automobiles of spotlights, robes, clocks, spare tires, tools and other accessories, were paroled Saturday by Judge Brindley. They had been held in jail since their arrest. The judge warned them they would be sent to the reformatory if they violated their parole agreements with the court. The boys confessed to stealing from about 30 autos.

EARTHQAKE KILLS 150

BUENOS AIRES.—Reports from Mendoza province late Saturday night estimated the dead in the earthquake at 150.

CO-OPERATIVE MARTS SOUGHT TO REBUILD FARMING INDUSTRY

Board of Farm Organizations Want Loan Bodies Represented in Washington

MINNEAPOLIS ONE OF NINE GRAIN HANDLING CENTERS

Elimination of Middlemen and Speculation Aim of Terminals

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Preliminary arrangements for launching a national system of co-operative markets and financial institutions designed to rehabilitate the farming industry in this country, were completed here Saturday afternoon at the concluding session of the agricultural conference inaugurated by the National Board of Farm Organizations.

The conference endorsed a plan to establish nine grain handling centers and will seek the united support of all farmers' co-operative grain marketing organizations in carrying out the project, which is designed to eliminate the middleman and end speculation.

Terminal in Minneapolis

These terminals are to be located in Kansas City, Chicago, Omaha, Sioux City, Oklahoma City, Minneapolis, Seattle, Buffalo, and St. Louis.

Representatives of agricultural interests in the territory contiguous to these points will meet on January 4 to arrange for a convention at which the grain marketing organizations in the various sections will be invited to send delegates to arrangeg for financing the project.

The financial system advocated by the delegates provides for a national union of farm loan associations.

Need Better Representation

The resolution covering this project stated 4,000 farm loan bodies at present have no opportunity of getting proper representation at Washington, and charged that the policy of the federal farm loan board had been to discourage attempts by the associations to form state federations.

Resolutions were adopted protesting against the various amendments which, it was stated, have been made to the federal farm loan act in the past two years without giving an opportunity for consultation between law-makers and the associations.

Against Anti-Strike Bill

Another resolution protested against the Poindexter anti-strike bill just passed by the senate. The conference recognizes the harmful effect of strikes, the resolution stated, but considers that under certain circumstances united protest is the only means of self-preservation for the workers.

"In these unsettled times, congress strikes, rather than make strikes a should seek to remove the cause of felony," the resolution said.

Federal control of the packing industry and passage of the Kenyon-Hendrick bill was advocated in another resolution."

DE VALERA TO SEEK FUNDS FOR IRELAND

NEW YORK.—Eamonn De Valera, "president of the Irish republic," who is now in "retirement" recovering from a recent slight illness, will start after the holidays, a drive throughout the United States for funds to relieve sufferers from the rebellions in Ireland, Harry Boland, his secretary, announced here Saturday. Mr. Boland said Mr. De Valera would leave for Spokane, Wash., on December 26 to resume his speaking tour of the country.

RIVER FALLS BEATEN

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The University of Minnesota basketball team defeated River Falls, (Wis.) Normal Saturday night, 28 to 13.

60 POOR FAMILIES ASSURED CHRISTMAS CHEER BY CHARITIES

Sixty needy families are assured Christmas cheer and happiness this year by the Associated Charities.

The names of these families have been given to the Kiwanis club, Catholic Benevolent society, Salvation Army and individual citizens and they will be provided with baskets containing food, toys and some clothing.

Other families will be aided between now and Christmas day. The Associated Charities continues to act as a clearing house for the names of needy families to prevent duplication and neglect.

TARIFF FRAMED BY HOUSE TO PROTECT 20 FARM PRODUCTS

Bill Called Emergency Measure; Passage to be Urged on Monday

WASHINGTON. — Framing of an emergency tariff designed to protect twenty farm products was completed late Saturday by the house ways and means committee. The measure probably will be presented to the house Monday with a request for action on it the following day.

The bill was designated as the Fordney Emergency Tariff. As drawn, it would be effective for one year from date of passage.

Shield Against Law Prices

The committee broadened the original project of senate and house leaders in joint conference. The bill was said to have been planned as a comprehensive measure to shield agriculturists from further price decline. Representative Young, Republican, North Dakota, chairman of the agriculture sub-committee, indicated that ways and means committee members would urge its passage before the Christmas recess.

Products to which tariff protection would apply and the rates agreed upon under the committee bill were as follows:

Wheat, 30 cents a bushel; wool in the grease, 15 cents a pound, skirted, 20 cents a pound; mutton and lamb, 2 1-2 cents a pound; cattle, 30 per cent ad valorem; wheat flour 20 per cent ad valorem; corn, 15 cents a bushel; sheep $1 a head if under one year old and $2 a head if over year; onions, 40 cents a bushel; peanuts, 2 cents a pound; rice, 2 cents a pound if cleaned and 1 1-4 cent a pound if uncleaned; potatoes, 25 cents a bushel; long-staple cotton, 7 cents a pound, and cottonseed, cocoanut, peanut and soy bean oils 20 cents a gallon.

Proposals to include sugar, hogs, frozen beef, vegetable products, barley, butter and potato flour and potato starch in the list were voted down.

War Finance Resolution

The senate resolution to revive the war finance corporation as a measure of relief for farers was adopted by the house late today in amended form, by a vote of 212 to 61. It now goes to conference for adjustment with the senate measure.

The house struck out section two of the senate resolutions stating the opinion of congress that federal reserve banks should allow liberal credits to farmers. The vote was 132 in favor, to 20 against, on the motion to strike out.

The final vote came after five hours of debate. Chairman McFadden of the banking committee, leading the opposition He characterized it as legislation, which would lead to inflation.

"The farmers have been deceived," Mr. McFladden said. "They have been told this resolution will help them. No advance to farmers has been made by the corporation for more than a year and could not be authorized under this measure. Instead, the corporation has made loans to such institution as the International Harvester, the Bethlehem Steel and Baldwin Locomotive works."

Mother's Aid Cut

Its total appropriation reduced to mothers from $4,000,000 to $1,500,000 the Sheppard-Towner bill for federal and state aid to mothers and infants was passed today by the senate and now goes to the house.

The question of a recess during Christmas holidays came up in the senate, but action was deferred until Monday to await disposition by the house of the resolution to revive the war finance corporation.

WAR VETERAN BUYS CAP HE DISCARDED IN FRANCE

PERTH AMBOY, N. J.—Howard Tappen, an overseas veteran of the world war, purchased a cap in a local renovated army goods store here Saturday and discovered it was the one he had discarded in France after the armistice. On the inner band was his name written in his handwriting.

JERUSALEM CELEBRATES

LONDON. — Jerusalem Saturday celebrated the third anniversary of its liberation by General Allenby, says a dispatch from Jerusalem. Sir Herbert Samuel, the high commissioner for Palestine, and all leaders of the various faiths participated in a review held in St. Georges cathedral.

BRINDLEY TO DECIDE IF CZECHO-SLOVAKIA IS AN ENEMY; ESTATE IN BALANCE

A QUESTION that occupied much time and caused considerable discussion at the peace treaty meeting at Versailles will come up for settlement in county court of La Crosse on December 28. On that day Judge Brindley will be asked to decide whether residents of the republic of Czecho-Slovakia are enemy aliens or not.

On the decision depends the settlement of an estate near Bangor. If he decides Joseph Albrecht and Josephine Brix, residents of Czecho-Slovakia are residents of an enemy country then the government will get the $1,000 in cash and real estate valued at about $1,600 left by Mrs Clara Korkesch, if he rules otherwise, then the estate will go to these two heirs.

Mrs. Clara Korkesch died at her farm near Bangor on April 27, 1917. Several days before her husband passed away. There were no known heirs so the estate was placed in probate. Some time later the Rev. H. M. Schmeling of Sparta presented papers showing he had powers of attorney from Joseph Albrecht and Josephine Brix, who lived in Czecho-Slovakia, showing that they were the brother and sister of Mrs. Korkesch.

When the estate was claimed for them, the government represented by the alien property custodian, stepped in and declared the property belonged to the United States government, saying that Czecho-Slovakia was a part of Austria and therefore an enemy country.

The heirs contend that they are not enemy aliens, that the Republic of Czecho-Slovakia is not an enemy country. The republic formerly was a crownland of Austria-Hungary. It won its independence in the World War. Its territory includes Bohemia and Moravia, the former being inhabited by the Czechs and the later by the Slovaks. Bohemia and Moravia were originally united in 1029, after which their political history closely followed that of Austria against which it revolted many times in the centuries preceeding its ultimate release.

HEARING ON LA CROSSE FISH RESCUE STATION PROMISED IN WASHINGTON BEFORE HOLIDAYS

CIDER MAKING IN HOMES IS LAWFUL DECLARES PALMER

Attorney General's Ruling in Conflict With Revenue Regulations

WASHINGTON.—Use of cider in the home by its manufacturer, even after it has become intoxicating by fermentation and without the bounds of the prohibition enforcement act, according to an opinion submitted to the secretary of the treasury by Attorney General Palmer, made public Saturday.

The opinion is in direct conflict with regulations of bureau of internal revenue, which state that home made cider must be "non-intoxicating in fact," although not necesarily containing less than one-half of one per cent alcohol.

Secretary Houston asked for an opinion as to whether the term "non-intoxicating cider and fruit juice means non-intoxicating in fact or containing less than one-half of one per cent alcohol. The phrase occurs in Section 29 of the prohibition act, which permits the manufacture of non-intoxicating cider for use in the home without a permit.

LIQUOR IS SEIZED IN MARINETTE AND JANESVILLE RAIDS

MARINETTE, Wis.—Four federal "dry" agents, four state "dry" officials, and two city policemen staged a raid on Marinette saloons Saturday. Fourteen arrests were made. In practically every saloon, the prohibition officers said, whisky or other intoxicating liquor was found hidden in various kinds of deceptive containers. Seven of the saloonmen arrested waived examination and said they intended to plead guilty. The other seven pleaded not guilty in municipal court. Marinette is on the border line of Michigan and a big business has been done in illicit liquor trade, the agents declared.

JANESVILLE, Wis.—Deputy Prohibition Officers Robinson and Bloodgood of Madison raided soft drink establishments in Edgerton Friday and confiscated about 15 cases of alcoholic beverages, which, it is claimed, had been sold promiscuously by several parties in that city. The investigation showed that a regular system was in operation whereby liquor was being brought by automobile from Milwaukee, Racine, Kenosha and other points, and prosecutions probably would be made soon.

AVIATOR ENDS LIFE QUARRELED WITH HIS WIFE, MOVIE ACTRESS

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—A report setting forth that Lieut. Pat O'Brien, officer of the Royal Flying corps in the world war, found dead last night in a down-town hotel, had committed suicide was filed Saturday by police who investigated the case.

Lieut. O'Brien was found with a bullet wound in his forehead and an army pistol at his side. Police said he had tried and failed to effect a reconciliation with his wife, a motion picture actress.

Lieut. O'Brien was a native of Richmond, Cal., where he was born 33 years ago. Prior to the war he was a fireman on the Santa Fe railroad. He enlisted in the Royal Flying corps in Canada early in the war. He was captured by the Germans but later escaped.

WOMAN SOUGHT IN HAMON SLAYING HIDES AT ARDMORE, REPORT

ARDMORE, Okla.—A report said to originate with a close friend of the late Jake L. Hamon, republican national committeeman, to the fact that Clara Smith, sought in connection with the death of Mr. Hamon here November 26, is in seclusion near Ardmore and will surrender following appointment of Mr. Hamon's successor, was current here Saturday.

No official confirmation of the report could be obtained.

A warrant charging Miss Smith with assault with intent to kill several days after the death of Mr. Hamon was changed by the county attorney to one of murder. The republican state central committee meets in Oklahoma City Monday to make recommendations to the national committee as to Mr. Hamon's successor.

WILSON VISITS NEW HOME

WASHINGTON. — President Wilson visited on Saturday for the first time the home which he purchased as his residence after his retirement from office on March 4. The visit was understood to have been for the purpose of considering alternations. The executive was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and her two brothers, John Randolph Bolling and W. R. Bolling.

ESCH MOBILIZES VALLEY SOLONS FOR WATERWAYS

Rivers and Harbors Congress People Press for Completion of Six-Foot Channel Plan

(By Betty Pruett Farrington)

WASHINGTON, D. C. — John J. Esch of La Crosse has received assurances from William S. Greene of Massachusetts, chairman of the House committee on merchant marine and fisheries that the first hearings of his bill calling for the establishment of a fish rescue station in La Crosse will be held before the holidays. Although it was pointed out by Mr. Esch that it is possible for other business to arise and interfere with this plan, he expressed confidence that the consideration of the bill will not be delayed very long.

With the prospect of an early hearing, D. W. MacWillie of La Crosse, chairman of the La Crosse Chamber of Commerce is remaining in Washington. He expects to appear before the committee to urge the advisability of establishing means for saving great numbers of fresh water clams which are lost when the tide of the Mississippi subsides.

Press For Deep Channel

During the Rivers and Harbors congress, Mr. Esch called a meeting of Representatives and Senators of states bordering on the upper Mississippi river in his offices. Among the speakers was Sidney J. Roy of Missouri, secretary of the Upper Mississippi Waterways Association of which William Torrance of La Crosse is one of the directors.

The delegation of members of the association urged that the government take immediate steps to complete the six foot channel provided for in a bill passed in 1910. The measure called for the completion of this channel from Minneapolis to St. Louis in ten years, but, as yet, only two thirds of the work has been completed. They urged that the work be finished through a continuing contract.

The meeting was attended by Senator Irvine L. Lenroot and Representatives James A. Frear of Hudson, Florian Lampert of Oshkosh, and James G. Monahan of Darlington. The entire delegation was invited.

Edward E. Browne of Waupaca and David G. Classon of Oconto have arrived in Washington, making the attendance of the Wisconsin delegation perfect except for Adolphus P. Nelson of Grantsburg. Mr. Nelson has written to Mr. Esch stating that Mrs. Nelson is quite ill so that he will be unable to leave his home for some time.

Mr. Esch said that hearings on the Sheperd-Towner bill will be begun in his committee probably next Monday. The passage of this bill has been urged by large numbers of petitions coming from women's clubs in every part of the country. Both Mr. Monahan and Mr. Esch as well as other members of the Wisconsin delegation have received such petitions from women's clubs in their district.

All For Immigration Bar

The Wisconsin delegation in the House voted solidly for the Johnson Immigration bill excluding immigrants (excepting blood relatives) for a period of 14 months, which passed the House Monday, December 13.

As originally introduced the exclusion was for a period of two years. Mann of Illinois introduced an amendment limiting the period of 14 months, which was adopted with the support of every Wisconsin Congressman except Adolphus P. Nelson, absent on account of illness.

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Senators La Follette and Lenroot voted for the resolution to re-establish the War Finance Corporation, to provide credit for the farmers, which passed the Senate, Monday, December 13.

Wisconsin farmers have been petitioning for months for passage of the Capper-Hersmann marketing bill which passed the Senate without a roll-call Wednesday, December 13. The bill legalizes cooperative marketing by the farmers, exempting them from the operation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

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No action will be taken by the Senate on the pending Gronna bill to regulate the Big Five Packers until January 24. The bill was laid over to permit Senator Sherman, of Illinois, who is absent on account of illness, and other opponents of the bill, to speak against the measure. In the opening speech for the bill, Senator Kenyon of Iowa, charged that farmers of Wisconsin, Illinois and other middle western states were being forced to sell their products at a loss to the meat combine.

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Seek Owner of War Trophy

An attempt to discover the original owner of an old masonic apron and regalia which was found by the late James G. Knight of Darlington during the evacuation of Atlanta, Ga. in the Civil war has been undertaken by James G. Monahan. As a member of Even Star Lodge No. 64 and A. M., Mr. Monahan has been delegated to

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AN ODD FELLOW FOR FIFTY-FOUR YEARS, PROF. NYE HONORED

The Golden Wedding Day of Mr. and Mrs. Widmer is Celebrated; Children Present

VIROQUA, Wis., (Special)— The annual banquet and roll call of the Odd Fellow and Rebekkah lodges was held at the I. O. O. F. hall on Saturday evening, December eleventh. There were two hundred and fifty guests in attendance. The banquet was served at 6:30 from two handsomely appointed tables, which reached from one end of the hall to the other. Mr. F. M. Minshall was Master of Ceremonies and called the lodges to order at nine o'clock by the roll call. Among the guests who responded with short talks were the Mesdames Amy Carmachael, D. O. Mahoney, Miss Lucy Dawson and the Messrs D. O. Mahoney, A. Carmachael and William Bouffleur, all of whom are members of long standing in the Two orders. Especially honored among the guests was Professor C. H. Nye, who has been a member of the Odd Fellow lodge for a period of fifty-four years, and who was also the oldest Odd Fellow present. Mr. Nye told of his first experience in lodge work in Platteville, Wis., where he became a charter member in 1866. Miss Dawson spoke of the institution of the Rebekkah order in this city of which she was a charter member and first noble grand. The Mesdames Carmachael and Mahoney were also charter members. Twelve guests were present who had been members of the Viroqua lodges for a period of twenty-five years or longer. They included Mesdames May Mahoney, Amy Carmachael, Miss Lucy Dawson, and the Messrs Edward Lind, A. F. May, Edward Wigonowsky, Lewis Silbaugh John Sidle, D. O. Mahoney, A. Carmachael, F. M. Minshall and George Morse. They were addressed by Mr. A. D. Helgerson, who paid an excellent tribute to their past and present work in the fraternities. They were then presented with flowers by Mrs. Nem Peterson and Mrs. Emma Cunningham. The following program was also rendered at intervals during the roll call. Ladies quartet—Sue Thompson, Mattie Jackson, Edith Smith and Myrtle Wolfgram; Piano solo—Mrs. Very Huschka; Solo— Miss Carol Wheeler; Readings—Mr. C. Powell; Solo—Miss Sue Thompson; Piano duet—Edith Smith and Mattie Jackson. Among the out of town guests were the Messrs and Mesdames William Bouffleur of Salem, Oregon; Ira E. Casperson of Viola, Melvin Steenberg of Retreat and Granvil Hall of Cashton. Dancing and cards were also features of the evening's entertainment.

At their home in the village of Rockton on Thursday there took place the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Widmer, prominent pioneers of Vernon county. The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Widmer were all present. They were: Mrs. Stanton McVey, of La Crosse, Mrs. Charles Cowee of Wausau, Mrs. Logan McVey of La Farge, Elmer Widmer of Wausau and Frank of Rockton. Other guests from out the village included Mrs. Hazel Widmer-Kuenning of Neillsville, Attorney and Mrs. Earle of Prairie du Chien, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nixon and Mr. Anson De Jean of La Farge and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kellicut of Viroqua. Nearly fifty guests were present. The rooms in the Widmer home were very pretty in a color scheme of yellow. Large golden chrysanthemums were used in the table decorations. The large wedding cake in white, with golden decorations was baked by Mrs. Elmer Widmer of Wausau. Mr. and Mrs. Widmer were presented with three hundred and fifty dollars in gold from the guests.

At a meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps on Saturday afternoon the election of officers was held as follows:

President — Emma Cunningham; Senior Vice—Mary Spellum; Junior Vice—Mrs. Edward Chase; Treasurer—Ella Brye; Conductor—Lulu Anderson; Guard—Gretta Welch; Chaplain—Mrs. Grant Cox.

Mrs. Helen Nenrud was hostess on Monday evening at a delightful party when she entertained a company of twenty-eight ladies at "five hundred". Many of the guests were teachers of the city schools. Beautiful cut roses were used in the house decorations.

Mrs. John Bann entertained the Lotus Bridge club at her home on Wednesday evening. The favors were awarded to Mrs. A. E. Smith and Otto G. Brown.

A large class of new members was received into the Royal Neighbor lodge at their regular meeting on Wednesday evening. A social hour and luncheon followed the initiative degree work.

Mr. Robert Sanders of Montana was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Groves during the past week.

Mr. William Welch of La Crosse spent a portion of the past week with his father, George Welch of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bann visited relatives at Richland Center Sunday.

Mrs. Chester Minshall of Westby was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Larson of Readstown were guests of Viroqua friends Thursday.

Miss Amelia Johnson of Westby was a guest at the home of Miss Alma Anderson in this city a portion of the week.

Chanting of psalms was adopted by Ambrose from the Roman pagan ceremonies.

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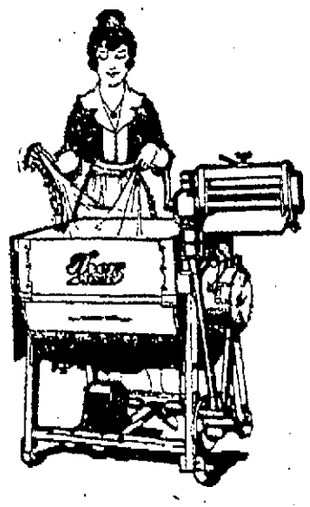

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HEAVEN IS HIGH

As the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.—Psalms 103: 11, 12.

"Ours"

SINCE La Crosse is to be host at the corn and grain show, the city was the logical place from which to select the king of the accompanying carnival, and the choice of such a good sportsman as "Slim" Roberge looks like positive inspiration on the part of the pickers. But the city should remember that the corn and grain show is not a tribute to what lies inside the city limits half so much as to what lies between them and the county lines. La Crosse gets the corn and grain show because La Crosse county has established a wonderful record as the premier corn and grain county of the state. The opportunity of entertaining the show was won for the city by the farmers of the county.

The city of La Crosse is to be the host in the show and carnival, but prominent in the receiving line should be representatives of the agricultural interests which make La Crosse county the farm leader of the state. If it were not that the consort of King Boreas is to be selected by ballot, we would wish that the queen were to be one of the handsome maidens of which our farms are as prolific as of other less valuable products. In any event, we hope that a number of worthy representatives of the county's charm and beauty will be entered in the race, and should one of them win the throne it is certain that her victory will be hailed with not less satisfaction in the city than in the country, as a fitting tribute to the rich acres that brought the show to us as well as to her own attractiveness.

Leaders in both the city and the farming country agree on the necessity of closer relationship between the city and the farm. The coming celebration, held in the city but in every respect "corn-fed", is so obviously a prize won by the skillful farmers of this county that it is almost more their affair than the town's. One hopes that in the co-operation of town and country to make it successful from every angle, however, we shall find that comradeship in work and play that will make it truly "ours". Surely no better opportunity for getting together has ever been offered La Crosse—city and county.

If They Could See Us

EMILE BELOT, vice president of the Astronomical society of France, has been doing a little figuring. He finds that with light traveling at 186,000 miles a second it would take centuries for it to flash from the earth to the spiral nebula of Andromeda. How many centuries? Oh, about 6,000.

That's distance!

Astronomers now are photographing stars which ceased to exist before man made his first appearance on this earth. The light these stars made when they went out is still traveling with incredible swiftness toward the earth, but hasn't yet arrived.

Reverse the viewpoint!

If men were on some of these distant stars with instruments strong and fine enough for them to see what is doing on this earth, they wouldn't see what is happening now. They would be seeing now what happened when man still was going about on all fours, before he learned to stand erect. Or they would be seeing the reptilian monsters which wallowed in the ooze before anything resembling men existed at all!

On some nearer stars they now would be witnessing the life of cities which have crumbled into dust. They would witness the building of the pyramids. On stars yet nearer this earth they would be watching Columbus start out on his voyage which resulted in the discovery of America.

The Boy and the Drum

DAY after Christmas the little boy to whom a drum was given will begin puzzling over the origin of its sound. Investigating the matter, he will open the drum a few days later, and much to his astonishment, will discover it's all hollow inside where he thought the sound was.

His inquiry should not be discouraged by spanking for there are few better moral object lessons for boy or man than a busted drum that made such noise.

Consider for a moment the defunct drum. It was a bright, sparkling thing. It filled the house with sound, until everybody was tired of hearing it. Then the boy opened the drum to look for the sound and found nothing

Too many men are like the drum. They make a great sound in the world, the sound passes as the currency of thought; and the men are accepted as great in proportion to the sound they make.

But it is as true of men as of drums that the larger the vacancy inside the louder the sound produced, so that the bass drum makes the biggest sound of all. Grown folks, however, never think of looking inside of two-legged drums.

Let's be more like the inquisitive boy who hunts for the source of the sound in his drum. And, above all, let's not spank him for doing so, but, on the contrary, develop his young habits of searching for the truth in drums.

Dear Santa Claus

PLEASE bring back to us for Christmas a little bit of the spirit of unselfishness that we lost after we won the war.

Restore to us something of the love that, in that war time, made folks think of themselves as their brothers' keeper.

Give back to us just a small measure of the sacrificial spirit that made people so anxious "to do their bit" and "to do their all."

Give us a little of the perfect understanding that most folks had then of their social obligations and responsibilities.

Give us moral power and courage to win the victories of peace as easily as we won the victories in war.

Mutiny among D'Annunzio's legionnaires may be expected if the Italian blockade cuts off the spaghetti supply.

Crawling around No Man's Land has nothing on answering the door bell in Dublin for thrills.

The Kentucky colonel doesn't mince words in speaking of the modern mince pie.

When Santa Claus' whiskers don't fit who can blame Willie for having doubts?

Glad item:—Five pay days in January.

Do your New Year resoluting early.

CHURCH NEWS

Furnished by the Church News Association

It is the expressed judgment of foremost leaders among Catholics, Protestants and Jews that the pressing task of the next six months is the raising of money to keep children of Europe alive, and to relieve starving people in five stricken provinces of North China. Presbyterian, Baptist, Episcopal and other missionary leaders say they must maintain present forces of missionary workers, and prevent existing work from disaster, but beyond that their duty is to relieve suffering and dying. The Federal Council of Churches and similar agencies among Catholics and Jews have issued statements to this effect.

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Protestant America is to have a Laiason committee—something wholly new in religious affairs, patterned in part after similar committees or officers in the World War. It may be called a Central Consultative committee, but members of the committee will in effect be laiason officers, and some at least will give their entire time. The plan is devised to carry on work of the principal Protestant agencies, among them the Foreign Missions Conference, the Home Mission Council, the World Sunday School association, the Women's Boards, and the Christian association. All of these agencies have determined to back the Federal Council of Churches, but they are reluctant to turn over all of their affairs to that council. They will use it in part, but demand the freedom of distinct organizations.

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Advance figures from the forthcoming Methodist Year Book for 1921 indicate membership growth last year of 182,000. This number is fully back to normal growth, and more than recovers from the slump of last year, due it was claimed to war effects. Districts in which large gains were made were the Atlanta, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Detroit, Indianapolis, Omaha, St. Paul, San Francisco and Washington. Districts or areas wherein growth was less satisfactory were New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and St. Louis. The whole number of Methodists in the large northern body, within the continental area, is now 3,872,000. Tremendous growth on foreign fields is reported under Bishop Warne in India.

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Tremendous pressure is being exerted upon Protestant, Catholic and Jewish official bodies in the United States by corresponding bodies of Europe to come to their help. It corresponds to the appeal of the nations. It is not altogether for material aid, but for moral support. Within the past few weeks, since the immigration matter came to the front, the pressure has been increased. People desirous of getting to America are going to their church authorities in Europe for influence. The new missionary plans just made by Catholics, with the Archbishop of Cincinnati at their head, include efforts to meet some of these calls from Europe. Protestant leaders have heard the calls through meetings just held in Boston and Chicago, and the Episcopal, the Baptist, the Presbyterian and Congregational authorities in New York are constantly in receipt of these appeals for advice, encouragement, and help to rebuild morale.

"AMERIKA'S" EDITOR SAYS HAMSUN'S BOOKS NOT FIT TO DRAW $40,000 PRIZE

Madison Man, Former U. S. Minister to Denmark, Befriended Norwegian Writer When He Came to Madison As Poor Youth; Was "Fired" As Clerk by Ole Moe

BY PROF. RASMUS B. ANDERSON
(Editor of "Amerika," former American minister to Denmark, and former professor of Scandinavian Languages and literature, University of Wisconsin, the man who gave Knut Hamsun his name).
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The story, which I am to tell here, may be somewhat long, but I hope it will not be too tedious. The American press has suddenly became very busy publishing romantic stories about Knut Hamsun, the Norwegian writer, who has just been awarded the Nobel Prize of $40,000, which is annually bestowed on the greatest writer in the domain of imaginative or idealistic literature, that is to say, of what is generally called fiction and poetry.

Alfred Bernhard Nobel, who was born in Stockholm, Sweden, on Oct. 21, 1832, and died Dec. 10, 1896, left in his will about $9,000,000, the income of which is annually given mainly as prizes in recognition of successful endeavor in intellectual pursuits.

Let me say here, that his name is not pronounced like our word "noble" with the accent on the first syllable, but No-bel with the accent on the last syllable and the "o" in the first syllable is not pronounced open, as in our word "no", but closed as in double "o" in our word "noon."

The philanthropist did not himself graduate at any institution of learning. He was what is called an autodidact or, as we say, a self-made man. As a young man he lived in Russia, and from 1850 to 1854 in America. His father had been interested in the production of nitroglycerine and other explosives. In 1862 the son took up the work of his father, and in developing a new method of producing nitroglycerine, he discovered dynamite and made it an article of commerce in 1867. Thus, he became the inventor and owner of this great and valuable modern explosive, and founded great factories in Sweden, England, France, Germany, Russia, Austria, and America. In 1873 he settled in Paris, and and 1891 he moved to San Remo in Italy. In 1884 he patented a new method of distilling petroleum, which became of immense value in the production of this article in Russia. In 1888 he invented the so-called Nobel powder which is nearly smokeless. His inventions made him a very rich man. And, as indicated, he left the major part of his wealth to the so-called Nobel Foundation.

One of Five Awards

This was done in a will written Nov. 27, 1895, and found after his death in 1896. By this will he left about $9,000,000, the income from which is annually given as prizes to "those who, in the preceding year, have rendered the greatest service to mankind." This income is divided into five equal parts, each part given to persons who have made the greatest discoveries or contributions in 1, physics; 2, chemistry; 3, physiology or medicine; 4, in idealistic literature; and 5, in promoting a fraternal feeling between the nations, in securing disarmament or a reduction of standing armies, and the establishment of peace congresses.

The prizes in physics and chemistry are awarded by the Royal Academy of Science, in Stockholm. The prizes in physiology and medicine are determined by the Caroline Institute in Stockholm. The prizes in literature are given by the Swedish Academy. The peace prizes are awarded by a committee of five members selected by the Storthing or parliament of Norway. Each prize amounts to about $40,000, but where two persons appear to be equally entitled to the prize it can be divided between them, giving each one $20,000. The prizes are awarded annually on Dec. 10, the anniversary of Nobel's death.

Three Americans have received the peace prize, to-wit: Theodore Roosevelt in 1906; Elihu Root in 1912; and now Woodrow Wilson in 1920. The prize in literature was given to the Norwegian, Bjornstjerne Bjornson of Norway, and to Miss Selma Lagerlof of Sweden several years ago, and is this year, bestowed on Knut Hamsun, of Norway. Some years ago this prize was given to the Italian, Gabrielle d'Annunzio, the present valiant defender of Fiume on the Adriatic. It is understod, of course, that the Nobel Foundation makes men and women of any nation in the whole world eligible.

I had the honor of meeting Mr. Nobel in Gothenborg, Sweden and was impressed with his fine character. He was a man of high ideals and exceedingly modest and unassuming.

The two Norwegian writers best known in the outside world are Bjornson and Ibsen, their stories and dramas having been translated into all civilized languages, but both of these died several years ago.

Works Widely Read

If, a month ago, somebody had asked me whom I considered the greatest living writer in Norway, I think I should, without hesitation, have answered, Johan Bojer, author of "The Great Hunger" and of "Life" both of which are great masterpieces. If I had been asked who was the most widely read among the living Norwegian writers, I should, doubtless, have answered Knut Hamsun.

And now I am to tell the readers of The Wisconsin State Journal a few facts in regard to this remarkable man. During the winter of 1880 and 1881 Bjornstjerne Bjornson came to the United States on the invitation of Ole Bull's widow, Sarah C. Bull. He spent the weeks before Christmas in Cambridge and New York, but after Christmas he came west to deliver addresses to his countrymen in the middlewest. He made his headquarters in Madison and he made me his manager. Financially his lectures proved a great success, and the great Norwegian poet returned to his home with more money than he had ever seen before.

Sent Janson Over

Bjornson was very anxious to find a place in this country for his friend, the poet, Kristofer Janson, who was a graduate in theology from the University of Norway, but had turned his back on the Lutheran religion and had become a Unitarian. Bjornson, who was also exceedingly liberal in his religious views, wanted Janson to come to America to promote Unitarianism among his countrymen here. One day, I think it was in the summer of '81, I met the Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones in the capital park in this city. I presented the matter to him, explaining that Janson was a graduate in theology and that he was one of Norway's most distinguished poets, novelists and orators. I succeeded in kindling Mr. Jones' enthusiasm, and at the annual conference of the Unitarian church held in Boston that summer, Mr. Jones secured an invitation to Kristofer Janson to come to this country as a missionary of Unitarianism among his countrymen, with a guarantee of $1,000 a year salary. Janson came. He made his headquarters in Minneapolis, where he built a church. He also organized other congregations in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

I was, at that time, professor of Scandinavian languages and literature in the University of Wisconsin and I received a request from Janson to see whether I could not send to him some Norwegian student in the university, who might like to become a Unitarian preacher. Janson would take such a person into his own home and give him the necessary instruction. I did not succeed in finding such a student, but this is what happened.

Early in the summer of 1882, if my memory serves me, while we were seated at our dinner table, at our North Carroll stret home, the door bell rang; I went to the door and met there a young man of stalwart build, with a veritable Apollo head; in short, a person of very prepossessing appearance. On entering he handed me a letter of introduction from no less a personage that Bjornstjerne Bjornson. In this letter Bjornson introduced to me Knut Pederson, telling me that he was a man "not without talent" and begging me to do what I could to help him. A place was made for Knut Pederson at the table and he shared our frugal meal. I then asked Mr. Pederson what his object was in coming to this country. He stated that Bjornson had told him that the Norwegians in America needed a poet and that he had come here to fill that want and to write poetry for them.

"But, my dear Mr. Pederson, authors, you know, live in garrets; you cannot make a living by writing poetry for your countrymen here. You will have to find some other occupation to earn your living, and then write poetry in your leisure hours."

"Besides," I said, "Pederson is such a common name among Norwegians that it will be exceedingly difficult to secure special recognition. All Andersons, Hansons, Johnsons, Larsons, Olsons and Pedersons are very much handicapped."

The farms in Norway have names, and I asked Knut what was the name of the farm on which he was born. He told me that the name of the farm was "Hamsund."

"Splendid," I said. Then you must drop the name of Pederson and call yourself Knut Hamsun," which he at once agreed to do and he has been known as Knut Hamsun from that moment to this. If my father had been wise enough to use his farm name instead of this everlasting "son" my name would have been R. B. Kvelve, and then, too, I would have had a name of my own. As it is, we Andersons, Olsons, Pedersons, Larsons, etc, virtually are no better off than state prison convicts, who are known only by their numbers. We cannot grow into prominence. If we are to get it at all we must leap into it with a single bound. Just think of such names as Clay, Webster and Grant in comparison!

Clerked in Store

I asked him what he had done in Norway.

We might as well state here that Knut was born in Lom, in the interior of Norway in 1860. While he was a child he moved with his parents to Nordland, in the northern part of Norway, and he had received the usual elementary schooling and had done various kinds of work, like other youths in that country. At the age of say 20, he had drifted back to the south of Norway, and the last work he had done was to clerk in a store in the small city, Gjovik, on Lake Mjosen.

When he told me he had been serving as clerk in a store it at once occurred to me that I might help him find a similar position in this country. I had a friend, by name Ole Moe, who was conducting a large general store in Elroy, Wisconsin, and so I gave Knut Hamsun a letter to Mr. Moe, asking him to take him on trial.

It may amuse my readers if I here tell, that before Hamsun left the house Mrs. Anderson received calls from Mrs. (Prof.) E. A. Birge, and Mrs. (Prof.) E. T. Owen of the University. These ladies saw Mr. Hamsun and were struck by his persnal appearance, and they asked me who that distinguished looking individual was. I told them, "It is a young man, who has come to this country with a view of becoming president of the United States."

Mr. Hamsun worked a couple of months for Mr. Moe, but his services were very unsatisfactory. He did not come to the store until long after opening hours, and this habit of tardiness kept growing. The result was that Mr. Moe was compelled to discharge him.

Hamsun returned to Madison and I had him on my hands again. I remembered Mr. Janson's request to send him some young man that he might prepare for the Unitarian ministry, and so one day I said to Mr. Hamsun, "How would you like to become a Unitarian preacher" He answered that that would suit him excellently. He said he knew he had great gifts of oratory, and believed he would be a success as a minister. He went to Minneapolis at once, and was well received by both Mr. Janson and by his wife. Mr. Janson gave him daily lessons and before long he was conducting classes in the Sunday school. Later on, he was permitted to fill the pulpit in the Minneapolis church when Janson had to visit his congregations outside of the city.

I occasionally visited Minneapolis where I always called on the Jansons, and found Hamsun was progressing in a satisfactory manner. The last time I called, was I think, in 1884, shortly before I went to Denmark as the United States minister. Mrs. Janson told me that Hamsun was up-stairs in his room sick-a-bed, and asked me to go up and see him. I found Mr. Hamsun in bed and very despondent. He told me he had galloping consumption, that is, what we call quick consumption. He also informed me that the evening before, he had sent for Mr. Wenaas, a professor of theology in a Lutheran theological seminary in Minneapolis. To Mr. Wenaas he had made his confession and the professor had given him the last sacrament. Hamsun had made up his mind he was going to die and this had brought him back to the religious instruction of his childhood, and to the promise he had made when he was confirmed. I told Mr. Hamsun that I did not think that he was as sick as he thought he was. I pulled him by his legs out of bed and helped him put on his clothes, and as the weather was fine, I insisted on his going out with me for a short walk in the fresh air. During this walk he told me how he would like to get back to Norway, and that if he must die, he would like to be buried in his native land. I told him this could be easily arranged. After walking around one block and taking him home again I went down town and gathered among my friends about $100, with which I purchased a third class ticket from New York to Christiania and gave him money enough to pay his way from Minneapolis to New York.

In Norway, I have been told, he found employment as a family tutor, giving religious instruction to the children.

"When the devil was sick
The devil a monk would be.
When the devil got well
The devil a monk was he."

Regains His Health

The fact is that after Hamsun had been inhaling for some time the ozone of the invigorating atmosphere of his native land, he became well again. He quit teaching religion and resolved to make his living in other pursuits.

After sending him back to Norway, I lost track of Mr. Hamsun entirely. I did not see him or hear of him until in the summer of 1888, and then accidentally in the following somewhat remarkable manner. I had obtained a vacation and had come to America to take my family back with me to Denmark. On board the Thingvalla, on our way back to Denmark, in the middle of the Atlantic ocean, I took a stroll to the different parts of the ship and came into the steerage or third class department. There I discovered four middle-aged, shabbily dressed men, seated at a table playing cards with a deck much worn by unwashed hands. The four men were playing for stakes, and small coins were lying on the table between them. I was astounded. I shouted, "Why my dear Hamsun, you are here!" He at once recognized me; we shook hands and I asked him where he had been all these years since I last saw him, where he came from, and whither he was going. I gathered from him that after his health had been restored he had emigrated to America again, where he had found employment, partly in the pine forests of Wisconsin as a lumber jack, partly in the harvest fields of North Dakota, and finally, as a conductor on the horse-street cars of Chicago. "And where are you now bound for," I inquired. He answered that he had written a book and was going to Copenhagen to find a publisher. Knowing that I had resided in Copenhagen he had arranged that all mail sent to him should be addressed in my care, the title of the book was "Modern Culture in America", and he opened his valise and showed me a large bundle of manuscript. I noticed that he had some black ribbon on the lapel of his coat, indicating that he was in mourning. I asked him who of his family had died. He answered that he was wearing that piece of black ribbon as a token of respect for the anarchists who had just been executed in Chicago, some of the Haymarket rioters. I warned him that persons sympathizing with anarchists would not be looked upon with favor in Denmark, and suggested that he had better remove the black ribbon from the lapel of his coat.

Evidently officers of the boat became aware of Hamsun's sympathies with anarchists and reported him to the proper authorities in Copenhagen. The result was that Hamsun was shadowed by detectives every moment, by day and by night. His efforts to get his manuscript in print were unsuccessful. The manuscript itself was uninviting, consisting of sheets of paper of different sizes and different colors. He made his appearance several times at the American legation, and called on me and asked for mail, but I invariably refused to see him. I instructed my clerk to hand him his mail and to inform him that I was too busy to see him. His funds, of course, ran low, and he was too proud to work with his hands. He drifted from one lodging to another and finally landed in the garret of a house facing St. John's Market, in the outskirts of the city. Here, according to his own statement, he went on a hunger strike, and literally starved, and while he was starving he carefully noted down the physical and mental sensations that he experienced.

When he, in this way, had reduced himself to a mere skeleton, he took his manuscript to a publisher, who was struck by the emaciated appearance of the author and by the remarkable title "Sult", which in the Norwegian language is the word for hunger. His story immediately appeared in the leading magazine of the city. The publisher paid Hamsun a handsome price for his manuscript and with one bound the author leapt into prominence and became the lion of the day. Everybody said, "Have you read 'Sult' by a man named Hamsun?" "Who is he?" Is he a Dane or is he a Norwegian?" The authors in Copenhagen hunted him up, invited him to their homes and figuratively speaking, killed the fatted calf to put new flesh on the bones of the prodigal son.

Created Sensation

The sensation caused by the publication of "Sult" made it easy for our author to secure a publisher for his work on "Modern Culture in America," a book in all respects beneath criticism. The author undertakes to write about Longfellow, Lowell, Emerson; about our theatres; our artists; our journalism; and all other things connected with the intellectual life of America, all subjects of which he was totally ignorant. His essay on hunger was enlarged into a book of several hundred pages, and a translation of it into English has just appeared in New York.

From that time on Hamsun has perpetrated on the public a large number of books, chiefly stories, a few dramas, and one volume of poems. We must admit that he is clever in many respects and that he has a remarkable command of the Norwegian language, illustrating that authors may succeed without a college or university education. But much of what Hamsun has written is unspeakably coarse and indecent. His books abound in passages that no person of refinement would undertake to read aloud before an audience. If I should quote passages from some of his books to prove my contention, the Editor of the Tribune-Leader Press would refuse to print them. Of course, this criticism applies to other writers of wide reputation, but I do not believe that it was the founder's intention that that kind of literary activity should be rewarded by the proceeds of the funds donated by him. I would call special attention, again to the fact that in his will Nobel says that the income from the money given should be distributed "as prizes to those who, in the current year, have rendered the greatest service to mankind." In our view, Hamsun, by such books as "Rosa", "Ringnel", and "Under the Autumn Star", has rendered a distinct disservice to mankind and done incalculable harm. We are, therefore, unwilling to approve of the choice made by the Swedish Academy for the literary prize of 1920, and regret that the prize was not bestowed on some more worthy author.

Codfish and Education

Has New England, in these days of silk shirts and fur coats, become too proud and fastidious for honest and nutritious codfish balls? The sacred cod still swims aloft above the heads of our wise men assembled in the revered General court. It is no mean symbol. It sands for those days of toilsome industry and frugal living on which New England prosperity was founded. "The lone fishball" is a poetic work of creative genius illustrating the close relation between codfish and education. Fish was always reputed food for the brains. If we have got beyond codfish we deserve in our fat folly to be the prey of the gougers and are entitled to no commiseration from any one. — Salem News.

Italians Melt Up Small Change

The second-hand dealers all over Italy have cornered the bronze 10 and 5 centime pieces, which they have melted down and sold as ingots for soldering at two and three times the price the pennies cost them. This has caused a great deal of annoyance, as small change is scarce, and in some of the cafes stamps have been given as change. The government has reduced the size of the new 10 and 5 centime pieces, but even that has done little good, so it is now decided to coin the new pennies out of a composition metal which cannot be used as solder if melted.

FAMOUS PLAYERS DEVELOP IN LOCAL FOOTBALL TEAMS IN PAST QUARTER CENTURY

HISTORY OF GAME HERE DATES BACK TO NINETY-FIVE

Since the Days of George Bunge, La Crosse Has Had Many First Grade Players

The football history of La Crosse dates back to 1895. In that year Mr. George W. Bunge organized the first high school team, which since has been kept up by his successors. Though there had been football teams in La Crosse before that time they were not regularly organized, and were self-supporting.

Some sort of a football game has been played since the beginning of time. As early as the second century, Julius Pollux, writing in Rome, describes the game as it was played there at that time. The principal home of football, however, has been the British Isles. A book written in 1175 tells of a football game which was between teams composed of the sons of wealthy families. The contest took place in a suburb of London and was witnessed by a large crowd of interested spectators. So popular did the game become that king after king issued proclamations against it in order to protect the wartime pastime of archery.

Notwithstanding these repressive laws the game flourished, and by 1800 football in England had evolved into several highly specialized types. The most popular game of the time was Rugby. It was characteristic of all the types that rules were made against carrying the ball in the hands. The American inter-collegiate game is a natural outgrowth of the various games, and is easily the most elaborate and intricate of the different styles of play. Much outcry has been raised from time to time because of the alleged brutality of the game, but it has stood the test of public opinion, and is today one of the strongest factors in school and college activities.

Bunge is Leader

The first regularly organized team to represent La Crosse in the football world was the one started by Geo. W. Bunge in 1895.

In 1896 four games were played, of which La Crosse won two. For some reason Sparta, Winona, and Tomah had no teams in 1897, so La Crosse played but one game. This was with Grand Rapids, and resulted in a defeat for the locals 6-0.

The following year the team met Winona high twice, and suffered two defeats, but succeeded in winning a game with Winona Normal. Only two games were played in 1899. In the second game, Herbert Cole, a La Crosse player, was so seriously injured that little hope was entertained for his life. This so discouraged the rest of the team that they disbanded for the season. In 1900 there was no regular high school team, because of the rigid scholastic requirements of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Association which the high joined in that year. There was an independent team however, composed of high school men who played several games in the vicinity. The regular team was re-organized in 1901 under the regulation of the Interscholastic rules. The next season, 1902, proved to be the most successful that the high school had yet had, since the team won four of the six games played. Again in 1903 the school had a great team. Five of this team played first team football at college the following season. They were Miller, Dittman and Zeisler who played at the University of Wisconsin, and the two Holleys at Hamilton. In 1904, 1905 and 1906 the teams were uniformly poor. Little interest in football was displayed by the students at this time.

Team At New High

The opening of the football season in 1907 found the high school in its present location at Fifteenth and Cass. The team had varying success throughout the season, and on Thanksgiving met Sparta to decide the State's Championship. The game was hard fought from start to finish, but in the end Sparta won by a touchdown over a dropkick.

The first paid coach came to La Crosse in 1908. He was Fred Cooper, a Dartmouth player. Bad luck in the shape of injuries and scholastic difficulties followed the team, but for the first time in the history of the school the goal line was crossed. Sparta again defeated La Crosse in the Championship game, 12-10 by scoring three dropkicks, which in those days counted four points, while touchdowns only counted five.

The next year La Crosse had to build an entirely new team, which proved to be a strong one, though defeated by Chippewa Falls. La Crosse at last had revenge on Sparta, when they won by three touchdowns in the Thanksgiving Day game.

Has Full Time Director

The following year the paid coach system was replaced by a plan of having a director of athletics who put in his whole time for the entire year and was a regular member of the faculty. The first man to have this new position was Jack Wilce, who has since made fame for himself by turning out a championship team at Ohio State University. For the first time in the history of the school the team was undefeated during the entire season. The championship game between La Crosse and Eau Claire resulted in a scoreless tie, leaving the two contestants the only unbeaten teams in the state.

Normal Team Enters

The fall of 1911 found two La Crosse teams in the field. This was the first season of football for the Normal School. The engagement of J. R. Moore a faculty member and coach, and a greater enrollment of men, made possible the inauguration of football as a major sport at the Normal possible. Neither High nor Normal were very successful in this year, though the High School aggregation trimmed the newly organized Normal team 33-0.

The next year new coaches were in charge at both schools. The High school had ups and downs during the entire season, but succeeded in downing Sparta 36-7. Accident and adversity followed the Normal team, most of the games being lost. High again triumphed over them, the score this time being 15-0. Platteville won in the last game of the season, which served to win for football a permanent place in the activities of the school.

New System Tried

In 1913 another new system was again installed at the high school. This time a man was chosen who should have charge of athletics and physical training and who should do no other work. The director chosen was Owen E. (Mike) Horne from Springfield Training College. Only two regulars were left from the previous season, but a steady progress was made toward efficiency. Sparta then the only undefeated team in the state, only succeeded in defeating La Crosse by the close score of 13-10. At Normal the season of 1913 was the most successful that the school had had so far. Platteville again defeated La Crosse, but the teams were growing stronger with each game, and high hopes were entertained for a championship team in 1914.

Both schools retained the same coaches in 1914, which was a decided advantage. The high school met and defeated three contenders for the state's championship, Eau Claire 27-3, Madison 26-0, and Sparta 12-7. Two other teams in the state were undefeated, but La Crosse was generally conceded to have the strongest team. In spite of their high hopes, Normal failed to put forth a strong team, winning but two of the six games played. They were again defeated by Platteville 6-0.

Play Good Games

Horne was still in charge at high school in 1915, and again turned out a team of championship calibre. It was in this year that the first game was played with St. Paul Central. The game was played in La Crosse on a muddy field between what were considered the two best teams in this section of the country. Though La Crosse held the advantage in matter of yards gained, they failed to score, and the game ended 0-0. Normal, under the leadership of Dr. Sputh and Capt. Strum got away to good start in 1915. The first three games were victories, but the fourth resulted in a defeat at the hands of Dubuque. The team came back the following week, however, and trounced Green Bay by a decisive victory. River Falls wrested away the championship by a single touchdown in the last five minutes of play, but in the last game of the season the normalites triumphed over the Minnesota Aggies 32-0.

The season of 1916 found Walter Bell in Horne's place at the high school. They again had a great team, but were defeated twice. The first defeat came at St. Paul, where they came out on the small end of a 14-7 score, and the second was a post-season game with Edgerton for the state's championship where they were beaten 7-0. The Normalites started well in 1916, but were defeated by Stevens Point and River Falls. They again wound up the season by defeating the Minnesota Aggies, this time 42-7.

Keeler Steps In

"Tubby" Keeler started his career as coach of Normal School athletics in the fall of 1917, while the high school mentor for that year was Schafer, who had coached the second team the previous season. Louis Kulcinski was captain of the normal team this season. They started out by defeating Winona Normal 101-0, but were overwhelmed by Dubuque in the second game. This was the only game lost, and for the first time the Normalites were able to lay claim to the State's championship, since they defeated River Falls, the upstate contenders in a championship contest on Thanksgiving Day.

The high school had an undefeated team in that year, and were revenged for the defeat at the hands of St. Paul Central the season before, by defeating them 36-0 in a game played on Normal field.

In 1918 both the normal and the high school teams were considerably hampered by the war and the epidemic of influenza. Only four games were played by the normal gridders, but they were all victories, and the locals again had a claim to the state's championship since they held Milwaukee, the loudest contenders, to a scoreless tie. The high school had but little success that season, since the school work was interrupted by enforced vacations, and many of the former players had gone into service.

The Keeler crew started the 1919 season with two defeats, but by virtue of defeating the strong River Falls team 14-0 in a fast game on Normal field, they again won the championship of the state. Coach Meade also had a team of State Championship material this season. In the Thanksgiving Day game the high school warriors piled up a large score against Superior, who claimed the championship of both Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Both Strong Teams

Both of the local schools had strong teams during the past season, but neither remained undefeated. Coach Meade's men fell to Chippewa Falls by a close score of 10-7, except for which they would have had a strong claim for the championship. Normal was defeated twice. The first time by River Falls and the second time by Oshkosh Normal in a game for the championship of the southern section. The team which played at Oshkosh was much the worse for injuries, and therefore incapable of putting up the game that they played during the mid-part of the season.

George W. Bunge, the sponsor of football in La Crosse, did not play here, but because of his long residence in this city, and also because of his connection with the high school team he is generally considered a La Crosse product. He played in 1892 and 1893 at Beloit and in 1894 at the University. His reputation still lives at Madison, where he is looked upon as one of the really big men in the University's football history.

Famous Players

During the twenty five years of organized football in La Crosse, many of the local players have found places on the teams of many Universities and Colleges. Among the first of these to atract attention were Dick Remp and George Miller. Remp went to the University of Wisconsin and made a lasting name for himself as center on the Varsity in '01, '02 and '03. Miller went to the University of Minnesota where he played until he was disqualified as a result of accepting a prize for winning a fat man's race at a Fourth of July celebration. About the same time, or a little later, Thad Bradley, another high school star played on the "U of W." eleven. Brindley held down the position of tackle for two years on the Varsity squad.

The Holley brothers, "Hod" and Alex went to Hamilton College at Clinton, N. York after finishing high school. Hod played quarterback for four years on the eastern team, but Alex received an injury which kept him out of the game most of the time.

Three others who played on the same high school teams with the Holley brothers went to the University later, and easily made the team there. They were Dittman, Geo. Zeisler and Charles Miller. Dittman and Zeisler each finished their course and played all during their college careers, but Miller entered the Marine corps before graduation. He has now attained the rank of major in that service. He played football for a time on one of the service teams in the A. E. F. after the armistice.

Others Go East

Art Funke, who played for several seasons on the high school team, followed up his football successes at Notre Dame, while Rudolph Schlabach played at Oberlin. The only La Crosse man having the record of making the team at West Point is Jensvold. He was one of the best halfbacks that the high school has ever had, and continued his good game at the Army School.

"Tubby" Keeler is one of the greatest football men that the local high school has turned out. He played all but one year while in high school, and the story is told that he was routed out of bed before daylight one morning to go play against Winona. Though he had had no training at all that season, he easily outplayed his man and further distinguished himself by blocking a punt on the Winona goal line and falling on it for the winning touchdown. Keeler played on the "U of W." team for several seasons, and was captain in 1914. He was mentioned by different sport writers for All-American honors several times during his time at the University.

"Swede" Dahlgren will go down in the history of football in La Crosse as one of the best tackles that ever donned a high school uniform. He was mentioned as fullback on Prof. Harry Spence's All years' high school eleven, but that was due to the wealth of good material for the tackle position. "Swede" played later at Beloit College. Eddie Stavrum played at high school with Keeler and Dahlgren, and also played end on the University team at the time that Keeler played there. Borge Gunderson played center all the time he was in the high school with the exception of the Sparta game in 1914, when he played the role of dashing fullback, nearly causing defeat to the state champions.

John Fay, captain at high school in 1916, played later at Marquette University, as also did Harry Marshall.

Two on Eastern Teams

La Crosse has been represented on the Springfield Y. M. C. A. and Yale teams by two brothers, Fred and Tom Dickens. Fred played at Springfield several seasons ago, while Tom has been a regular on the Eli squad for the past two years. An injury received in the middle of last season prevented him from taking an active part in the last few games.

Two former La Crosse players formed a part of Coach Richard's machine at Madison this year. They were George Bunge and Elliott. Bunge played on the local high school team and has held down a position on the Varsity for the past two years. He was the unanimous choice for center on all of the all-Conference second teams this year. Elliott played at the normal school in 1918. Another normalite to achieve fame this season was Harry Grausnick of the Northwestern team who played in La Crosse four years ago.

Fritz Layman, Fitzke and Kelly went to school after finishing high. Kelly played at North Dakota in 1916, while Fitzke and Layman starred for the University of Wyoming last season.

Spence is Veteran Booster

Prof. Harry Spence of the La Crosse public schools has been connected with the high school teams ever since they first started in 1895. During this time he has followed every team to its victories or its defeats, and has seen every man who has ever represented the Red and Black display his talent. In 1915, just before the first game with St. Paul Central high school he picked a team which he considered to be composed of the best that the high school has produced. The team was: center—Dick Remp; guards — "Tubby" Dittman, George Miller; tackles—Thad Brindley, "Tubby" Keeler and Chas. Miller; ends—Eddie Stavrum, Geo. Zeisler; quarterback—Hod Holley; half backs—"Boots" Weimar, Jensvold; fullback—"Swede" Dahlgren.

Due to the development of the forward pass and other changes in the game, some changes in the lineup of the All-years' team would be necessary. Mr. Spence says that if he were to chose another such team Wallie Reget, "Muckie" Pratt and Bobbie Fitzke would be considered likely candidates for positions.

LA CROSSE PLAYERS WHO HELPED MAKE GRID HISTORY HERE

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HAWAIIAN BREAKS HIS OWN SWIMING RECORD AT HONOLULU

HONOLULU. — A hundred yard back stroke swimming record, which he established in Detroit, was broken here today by Warren Kealoha, Hawaiian swimmer, who participated in the Olympic games. Kealoha's new record, 1:06 2-5 was made in an authorized A. A. U. event at the Y. M. C. A. tank.

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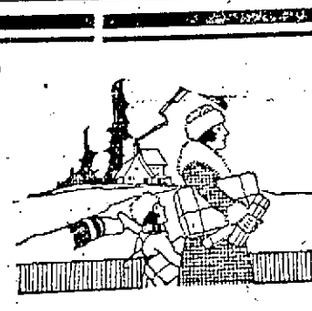

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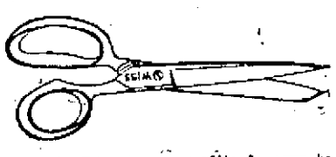

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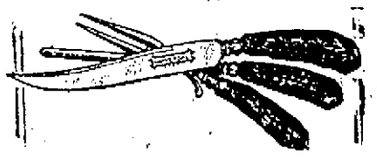

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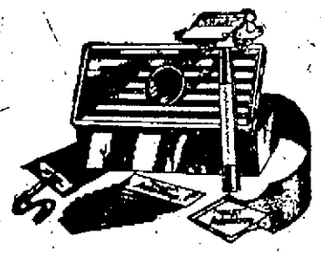

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PHILADELPHIA.—A recent addition to the Pennsylvania Museum, Memorial Hall, Fairmount Park, of interest to cabinet makers is that of a huge quarto volume of "The Gentleman and Cabinetmaker's Director," by Thomas Chippendale, master cabinet maker of the Eighteenth century.

The book, which is very rare, was published in London in 1754 and put under the protection of Hugh, Earl of Northumberland. Attached to the venerable tome is a list of the subscribers, among which figure the names of noblemen, cabinet makers and even that of a bricklayer. There are 160 copper plate engravings and useful designs of household furniture in the Gothic, Chinese and modern taste."

In a communication addressed to the public oth is time, Chippendale resented harsh criticism that his drawings were specious and impossible to be worked out by mechanics whatsoever, and said that on the whole he was given to design in "The Gentleman and Cabinet Makers' Director", what may be executed with advantage by the hands of skilled workman. He further claimed that the designs were ably calculated to assist in the execution of their designs.

This book of Chippendale, which is about to be put on exhibition for the first time, was made thirty years before the embassy from George III to the Emperor Kien Lung of China brought back more accurate information concerning the costumes and manners of the Chinese, but they mark the height of the fashion for "Chinoiserie" so far as England was concerned.

Of the delicate copper plate drawings in the Chippendale book are to be found proofs that only a few were actually constructed. But as a guide to the style of the period and a model of the working drawings from the master's workshop they are invaluable. Of late the book has been difficult to obtain in Europe and so far as is known there is but one copy in Philadelphia.

COUNTY AGENT NOTES

Phosphated Manure

Many of our La Crosse county farms, although heavily stocked so there is a large supply of barnyard manure, are not producing as good grain yields as they should. With continuous cropping and manuring, many of these soils have become unbalanced in plant food so the straw grows too rank and the heads do not fill sufficiently to make good grain yields.

The phosphates are effective fertilizers. So striking are the results from their use that not a few men are relying entirely upon them (and limestone) as a means of fertility maintenance and this in spite of the fact that they furnish no nitrogen or potash.

On practically every farm where we have had complete chemical soil analysis made, there is sufficient barnyard manure to maintain the nitrogen supply; potash is found in abundance most everywhere, but there is a shortage of available phosphate in many of these soils. The remedy is commercial phosphate in one of two forms, acid phosphate and raw rock phosphate.

The most convenient and most practical method of applying raw rock phosphate is to scatter it in the gutter, applying about one pound to each mature animal.

It has much greater absorbing power than straw or other bedding material has and in that way it helps to save much of the liquid manure which otherwise would be lost before it reaches the field. By using it in the gutter, it is taken out and spread on the fields without any extra labor.

Phosphate is the plant food element that produces the grain. Raw rock can be purchased in any amount at the Farmer's Co-operative Supply and Shipping Association, West Salem, or the County Agricultural School at Onalaska. Raw rock phosphate furnishes a large part of the mineral mixture for hogs used so much and recommended so highly by the agricultural colleges and leading hog feeders.

The Community Fair

Communities differ on politics and religion, but when it comes to the community or district fair, or anything else affecting the general good of the community all should pull together.

The purpose of the district fair is to encourage the children and through them their parents in their efforts to produce better livestock, better corn, grain, potatoes, fruit and garden products, and to build up in the immediate section a neighborhood spirit without which no community can prosper.

About twelve districts in La Crosse county have held fairs this fall. Without exception, the schools that have had a second, third, or fourth fair, had better exhibits this year than they did the first. The improvement seemed to run in proportion to the number of years the district has held such fairs.

A few districts had their plans well under way for their fair, but there are still several that may be interested and if a little outside help is wanted it can be obtained from the County Agent or members of the County Agricultural School faculty.

We should like very much to see every district in the county represented with one or more exhibits of corn, and the various grains at the rural school show, which will be held under the auspices of the Community Council, at the time of the State Corn and Grain Show in La Crosse the last week in January.

Self Feeders

The use of self feeders for fattening swine has recently received considerable attention from swine feeders, the agricultural press and agricultural experiment stations. The self feeder is the result of an effort to improve methods of feeding, thereby decreasing the cost of production and making a greater margin between the cost and selling price which means increased profits.

Very good results have been obtained at the experiment station. The results obtained thus far may not warrant definite conclusions regarding the use and limitations of self feeders for swine.

They indicate, however, the results which may be expected.

1. Fattening hogs fed with a self feeder gain more rapidly than when hand fed in the usual manner.

2. The self feeder is supposed to decrease the amount of labor involved and so should be a factor in cheapening the cost of production.

3. When each feed is placed in a separate feeder the hogs will choose the different feeds so that the gain will be both rapid and relatively economical. This will perhaps be true, only when each feed is supplied in abundance.

Several self-feeders that were made at the County Agricultural School are in use now. The County Agent recommends the use of self feeders especially for well grown stock hogs for fattening purposes.

The experiment station has repeatedly emphasized the advisability of using the self-feeder for the following grain rations and mineral mixtures for brood sows:

Ration 1—40 pounds ground barley or corn; 30 pounds ground oats; 6 pounds tankage; 4 pounds chopped alfalfa.

Ration No. 2.—50 pounds ground barley or corn; 35 pounds midlings; 10 pounds oil meal; 5 pounds tankage.

The above rations are especially good when fed with skim milk or butter milk at the rate of two or three pounds to each pound of grain. The same mineral mixtures that are fed to pregnant sows should be kept before the sows and their litters at all times.

Mineral mixture. The following mineral mixture is being used for hogs with good results at the experiment station:

Two hundred pounds powdered charcoal; 100 pounds wood ashes; 100 pounds air slacked lime; 100 pounds ground rock phosphate; 50 pounds salt; 10 pounds sulphur; 5 pounds copperas.

W. E. SPREITER,
County Agent

OFFERS FARM TO DEFECTIVE TOTS

HOUSTON.—Mrs. H. D. Stalb has offered her farm to Harris-co, to be used as a home for defective children. And, if the offer is accepted, she wants permission to aid at the home, without pay.

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Patient—You told me to put my tongue out, doctor, but you have not looked at it!

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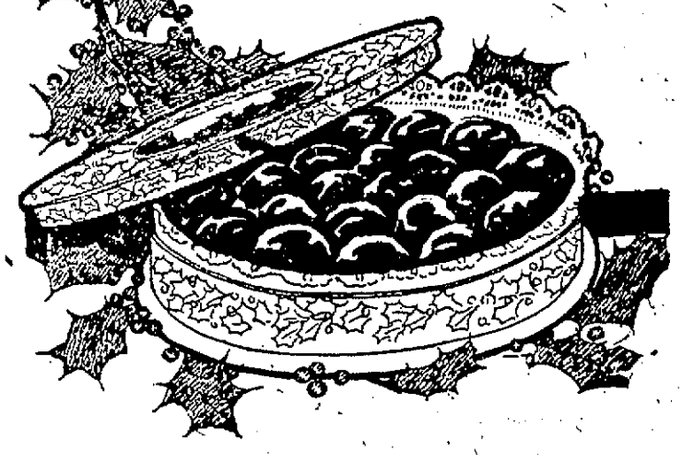

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BARNETT'S CHARGES AGAINST MARINES HELD UNWARRANTED

Naval Court Dismisses Accusations of Indiscriminate Killings in Haiti

WASHINGTON.—(By The Associated Press.)—The naval court of inquiry which investigated the conduct of marines in Haiti reported to Secretary Daniels Saturday that there "had been no proper grounds" for the statement by Brig.-Gen. George Barnett, former commandant of the marine corps, that the American occupation forces had been guilty of "practically indiscriminate killings" of Haitians.

After careful survey of conditions, the court, presided over by Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo, found that General Barnett's charges were "ill considered, regrettable and thoroughly unwarranted reflections" on the work of the marine corps in Haiti, adding that the corps had performed difficult, dangerous and delicate duty worthy of the highest commendation.

The marines virtually were given a clean bill by the court, which declined to recommend trial by court martial of Freeman Lang, of Los Angeles, and Doms Williams, of Birmingham, Ala., charged by native witnesses at the Port au Prince hearing with the murder of Haitians. Indeed, the Lang and Williams cases were not mentioned, and naval officials explained that this meant evidence against them was not deemed sufficient to demand criminal prosecution.

RUMELY CLEARED OF CONSPIRACY CHARGE

Former New York Publisher Accused of Withholding Knowledge of German Ownership of Paper

NEW YORK. —(Dr. Edward A. Rumely, former publisher of the New York Evening Mail, and S. Walter Kaufman and Norvin Dindheim, his co-defendants were acquitted by a jury here Saturday on three counts of an indictment charging conspiracy to withhold from the government knowledge of the alleged German ownership of the paper, and found guilty on two counts.

The finding of not guilty was on counts alleging that the German government owned actual shares of the newspaper's stock, while the verdict of guilty was on that part of the indictment which alleged the defendants had borrowed money from German sources with which to conduct the paper.

The jury made a strong recommendation of mercy for the defendants, whose bail was continued. The court adjourned until next Monday, when they will be sentenced.

HERE'S WAY TO FOOL HOLD-UPS; WEAR 2 PAIRS OF TROUSERS

PATERSON, N. J.—Louis Lenner accidentally discovered an antidote for New Jersey's crime wave. "Put on two pairs of trousers," is his formula. A chill wind was blowing early this morning when Lenner had to rush from his home to summon a doctor for his sick wife.

"Two pairs of trousers will not come amiss," said Lenner to himself. In front fo the public library two of the state's many highwaymen urged him with revolvers drawn, to throw up his hand.

"Search me," cried Lenner, confident in the security of his double-barreled trousers. The robbers left him, provoked, after finding nothing in his outside trousers.

CHRISTMAS VESPER SERVICE AT Y. W. C. A. SUNDAY

Christmas vesper service will be held at the Y. W. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 4:30. Mrs. Robert MacDonald will tell a Christmas story. The song service will be led by Mrs. E. E. Dow and Miss Stella Trane will sing a solo.

IRISH PEACE PARLEY SEEMS TO BE ENDED

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a treaty with some one you designate as the official head of that republic.

"I have never failed to make it clear that there is no possibility of a settlement so long as the Sinn Fein demands an Irish republic and that though I am willing to explore every avenue toward an honorable, constitutional settlement, there is no road to peace so long as the Sinn Fein persists in trying to compel any settlement by means of assassination and violence. The only way to peace is that the leaders of the Sinn Fein should recognize these fundamental facts. Their present policy is only leading Ireland ever nearer to chaos and ruin.

"I deeply regret that you should close the door to those counsels of good will which you invoked at the beginning of this correspondence."

O'DOWD OFFERS $6,000 FOR FIGHT WITH WILSON

ST. PAUL.—Mike O'Dowd, former middleweight boxing champion, Saturday night announced that he would pay $5,000 in cash out of his own pocket to Johnny Wilson, who won the middleweight title last spring, for a 15-round return match with Wilson. O'Dowd, who returned home here Saturday night from the east, said Tex Rickard, fight promoter, had offered Wilson $35,000 for a match with the former champion. In addition to the $5,000 "bonus," O'Dowd said he would give Wilson $1,000 if the latter beat him in a return fight.

NORTH SIDE COUPLE CELEBRATES GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Danielson, who on December 4, rounded out fifty years of married life.

A surprise golden wedding was the event given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Knute Tempte, 1513 Kane street last Saturday night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Danielson, 1443 Caledonia street.

As a fore-runner to the event in the evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tempte, a number of friends and neighbors dropped in for a surprise of the Danielsons in the afternoon. Two children living in Minneapolis came here for the anniversary. In the evening over twenty-five of the friends and old acquaintances of the Danielson family gathered at the Tempte home where elaborate refreshments were served and the honor guests presented with a purse of over one hundred dollars, together with a set of silverware.

Married in Norway

Mr. and Mrs. Danielson were married in the famous church at Trondjhem, Norway, where the Kings of that country must go to receive the crown. During his residence in Norway, Mr. Danielson was a jeweler and photographer, operating one of these shops in a little town in the vicinity of the city of Trondjhem. Six years after their marriage in 1870, the family moved to America, coming directly to La Crosse in 1876. Following their residence in Prospect street on the north side for fifteen years, Mr. and Mrs. Danielson removed to a farm in Burn's Valley, about six miles north of Bangor, where they lived until six years ago when they again came to La Crosse to make their home. Since their removal to La Crosse, Mr. Danielson has conducted a watchmaker's shop on Caledonia street.

Nine children were born into the family, one daughter and two sons being the only ones living. They are: Carl Danielson, living on Prospect street on the north side; Conrad Danielson, traveling salesman for a Minneapolis firm, and Mrs. Jefferson Lancaster of Minneapolis.

MAJOR SHUMAN'S BODY WILL ARRIVE MONDAY MORNING

Remains of La Crosse Officer Who Died in France During War to be Buried Here

The body of Major Frank L. Shuman, who died in France October, 19, 1918, will be interned in the family lot in Oak Grove cemetery Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Lieut. Col. J. B. Shuman, a brother, left Hoboken Saturday, and will accompany the body to La Crosse, arriving Monday morning. The body will be in charge of the Frank L. Shuman post of the American Legion.

Major Shuman died at Perigeiux, France. The local post of the American Legion bears his name.

THE WEEK

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No. 2 prices and sold it at No. 1 prices.

But they have now been in power for several years. The farmers of North Dakota have had several partial crop failures. The league couldn't prevent that. Now they have a bumper crop, and the bottom falls out of their prices. The league couldn't prevent that. Probably nowhere in the country are farmers worse off than they are today in North Dakota. It all goes to show that politicians who promise the impossible are running into trouble. It shows that government can do little more than equalize opportunity and deal even-handed justice. Government can not prevent the operation of natural laws. The league did not cause previous crop failures, nor did it bring the bumper crop. It neither caused, nor could it prevent, the low prices. The only thing that can be traced directly to it in this connection is North Dakota's bumper crop of taxes. High taxes are not necessarily an evil. The country is waiting to see what North Dakota gets for its money.

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It is said the state board of public affairs has further reduced the estimates for the university appropriation. The outgoing administration passes the buck. If Blaine boosts the appropriations, and the taxpayers kick, the "outs" can point to their recommendations for economy. If he doesn't, and the university makes a poor showing, it is up to Blaine. This is fair average politics, and time-honored custom. However, we doubt that it will worry Blaine. Doubtless he will not hesitate to endorse such appropriations as he believes are needed. He is neither timid, nor lacking in appreciation of the immense importance of education.

Wrote it Too Soon

It is on record that when Kipling was on one of his American tours he quarreled with his hotelkeeper. Just before leaving the hotel he wrote in the visitors' book:

"I just want to say that of all the hotels under the shining sun I have never been in one that for unmitigated all-around, unendurable discomfort could equal yours."

A few minutes later the bill was presented. The final item read:

"To impudence, $3."—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

Multiplying Stop Watch

For timing work the dial of a Swiss stop watch carries additional marks to indicate at any point of elapsed time what the corresponding output an hour would be.—Indianapolis News.

Great Britain turned out 70,000,000 pair of army boots during the war.

FIRST PRIZE WINNER

Above is a picture of Marvin, twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Garrett, who won the first prize of $10 offered by the public health committee of the civic bureau, Chamber of Commerce, for the best essay on tuberculosis.

Marvin wrote a 200-word essay on "The Tuberculosis Germ" which was pronounced by the judges a clever creation. He is a student at the Hamilton school, in the sixth grade. The Garrett family moved here four years ago from Nebraska, where Marvin was born.

ESCH MOBILIZES VALLEY SOLONS FOR WATERWAYS

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undertake the task and to place the unique relique with the appropriate Southern masonic lodge if the owner is not now living.

The relic has a unique history, according to Mr. Monahan. It was brought back to Wisconsin in 1863 by Mr. Knight, who was in the third Wisconsin volunteers with General Sherman when he drove the Confederate armies out of Atlanta. Since that time it has been in the possession of the Masonic Lodge of Darlington of which the congressman is a member. He is working with William D. Upshaw of Atlanta, a member of Congress from that district, in order to have the relic returned to the South.

The regalia is well preserved although it went through the latter part of the war. It is of a type no longer used, but is regarded as of unusual historic interest.

Mr. Monahan's interest in matters of historical significance has led him to introduce in the House a bill for placing a life sized portrait of Abraham Lincoln in the halls of congress. It provides that the Library committee shall choose an appropriate place for the picture.

The Awakening

"Why, Clara, dear, what has happened? It is not a month since your marriage and I find you in tears already!"

"Ah, Hilda darling! George is running for office, you know, and I've only just learned from the opposition papers what a really dreadful man I have married!"—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Tokens of Honesty

At some of the London docks when two men make a trade agreement they exchange black beans as tokens of honesty. This is regarded as more binding than a written and signed contract.

The guillotine was named for its inventor, Joseph Ignatius Guillotin.

HARDING CONFERING WITH SENATE HEADS ON PEACE, LEAGUE

New, Reed and Dr. Butler Give Views on International Situation

MARION, Ohio. — President-elect Harding heard suggestions for his association of nations plan from widely divergent viewpoints today in a succession of conferences with Senator Harry S. New of Indiana, Senator James A. Reed of Missouri and Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university.

Each indicated that he thought the president-elect was working along hopeful lines but each had his own idea of what could be made the basis and form of any international agreement to promote peace.

New for Disarmament

Senator New, republican member of the foreign relations committee, was inclined to favor a disarmament agreement if one could be made as the most effective means of ending wars. He indicated he would not be adverse to taking such machinery of the Versailles league of nations as might be found practicable but told Mr. Harding that in his opinion a covenant mutually pledging the leading nations of the World to reduce armaments would be vastly superior to any complicated international peace structure.

As a democrat who has made a bitter fight for flat rejection of the Versailles treaty, Senator Reed counselled the president-elect against acceptance of league membership on any basis, but recommended a modification of international law as the best hope of averting misunderstandings.

Reed Warns of Blunder

To go into the league in the face of the people's verdict at the national election, Mr. Reed declared, would be a breach of faith and a costly blunder. He evidenced little faith that wars could be abolished but conceded that a plan for more deliberate diplomatic parleys might prevent some of them.

Economic considerations were advanced by Dr. Butler as the determining factor of the international situation. He prophesied that in the end trade and commercial ties will be found more binding and more practically useful than peace covenants in rehabilitating civilization and guaranteeing its security.

TREMPEALEAU SHIPPING BODY PICKS OFFICERS

Henry Schubert is Elected President; Past Year Successful One for Association

TREMPEALEAU — The annual meeting of the Trempealeau shipping association met last Wednesday. The following officers were elected: Henry Schubert, president; Clarke Miller, vice president; E. J. Adams, treasurer; Wm. Nicholls, secretary. Directors for two years, Paul Duff, Thomas Walski, Martin Severson and A. Dutton manager, John Towner.

The past year has been a very successful one for the association. 65 carloads of stock more shipped, consisting of 2415 hogs, 579 cattle, 363 calves, 477 sheep amounting to a total of $110,533.35.

A meeting of the officers and managers of the Trempealeau Drainage district was held Monday morning at at the Citizens State Bank. Mr. Clark of the Delta Land Co. W. S. Wadleigh and Ben Davis, Galesville and Mr. Rottiger, of Fountain City attended.

ELKS' BAND GIVES A CONCERT TODAY IN THE CLUB ROOMS

The Elks' band will give a concert this afternoon in the club rooms. A fine program has been arranged, including several solos by members of the band. The concert will begin at 3 o'clock.

BASKETBALL RESULTS

At Urbana—Illinois university, 29; James Milliken university, 24.

At Milwaukee, Wis.—Wisconsin university, 23; Marquette university, 18.

At Ann Arbor—Michigan university, 26; Western State Normal, 12.

SKATER DROWNS

CRIVITZ, Wis—Gordon Schroeder, 15, was drowned in a mill pond here Friday when ice on which he was skating broke about thirty feet from shore.

Self Service

"Ma, teacher's awful mean."

"Hush, my son, you mustn't say that."

"Well, she is! What do you think She borrowed my knife to sharpen a pencil to give me a bad mark."—Boston Transcript.

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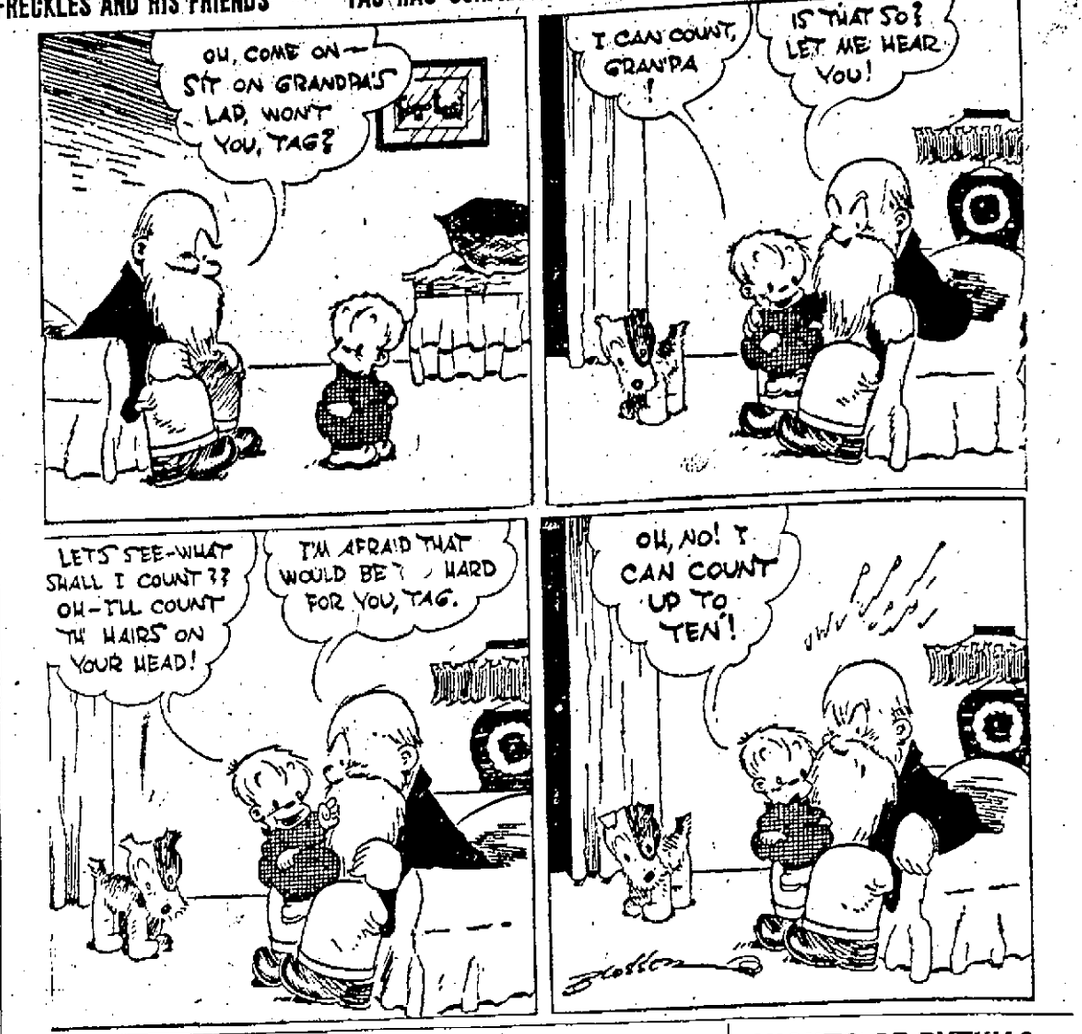

MOONSHINE RAID IN WEST VIRGINIA NETS MUCH "WET" GOODS

Wife Burns Husband's Cork Legs to Prevent Officer from Arresting Him

HUNTINGTON, W. Va.—One of the biggest "moonshine" raids in the history of Southern West Virginia, extending over a period of nine days, and centering in Logan county, was reported here Saturday by Frank Adkins, state prohibition officer.

Seventeen prisoners were taken and twenty stills, 100 gallons of moonshine, 5,000 gallons of mash and 40 pints of bonded whiseky were confiscated.

How a man escaped arrest because the officers refused to carry him from his home in the mountains, after his wife had burned his cork legs, was recited by Mr. Adkins. The raiders, he said, found a still and 200 gallons of mash in the house occupied by Bill Collins, far up the mountainside above Yolyn. While the oficers were busy destroying the still and mash, Collins' wife unscrewed his cork legs and burned them. Collins was not arested, as the agents had no means of transportation from the mountains.

AID FOR FAMILIES OF SLAIN CHICAGO POLICE

CHICAGO.—A fund of $100,000 to be used in aiding the families of Chicago policemen who are killed in the performance of their duty, was turned over to the police department Saturday by a committee representing fifty business men who contributed the money. The fund is to be maintained for at least two years and a committee will administer it.

TWELVE DROWN IN OHIO WHEN LAUNCH SINKS

AUGUSTA, Ky.—Twelve persons were drowned in the Ohio river when the United States steam launch Margaret sprang a leak and sank three miles below Augusta Saturday.

Obituary

TWIN DIES

Jane Elizabeth, two weeks old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert H. Gray, 912 Cass St. died Friday. The other twin, Catharine Lyle, died last Monday.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS INITIATE CLASS OF 150 AT CONVENTION

Visiting Knights Gathering One of the Greatest in Lodge History

One hundred and fifty candidates were initiated in the rank of page Saturday night at one of the largest and most successful bible class conventions of the Knights of Pythias in La Crosse.

The ceremony was held in Pioneer hall under the auspices of John P. Linton lodge and Hamilton lodge. One of the features of the convention was the noted rank of page degree team of Milwaukee which was brought here by Grand Chancellor Henry Staab.

More than 500 knights from various lodges in towns all over Wisconsin attended the convention. Fred E. Wheaton, of Minneapolis, supreme keeper of records and seal, was present. He read from the original Rathbone Bible, of which he is custodian.

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Questions of general interest pertaining to civics and economics will be answered in these columns. When space will not permit, letters will be personally answered, subject to proper limitation, and when a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Address communications to Professor D. O. Kinsman, Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin.

THE LAW-MAKING DEPARTMENT OF OUR STATE.

Some one has said that America is in the law making stage of political development while Europe has reached the law enforcing stage. It is declared that when we find some needed reform we rush to the legislative department and demand that a law be enacted correcting the abuse or providing for the improvement. The law once enacted we are content, no attention being paid to its proper enforcement. Whether this charge is just or not we have developed remarkable facilities for the making of laws. They may be enacted by school districts, by towns, by villages, by cities, by counties, by states or by the nation. These are necessary to meet the needs of a self-governing people.

We have been considering the organization and work of the national law making body in order that we may the better understand the doings of Congress now in session. The state legislature meets the second Wednesday of January each odd numbered year, that is the twelfth of next month, and we should be familiar with its organization and mode of procedure that we may intelligently watch and, if need be, influence its activities.

Because of the extent of territory and large number of voters, it is necessary to organize the state as a representative democracy, or a republic, the same as the Federal government.

The people select representatives to go to Madison in their stead and make the state laws. These representatives comprise the legislature. That the greatest possible care may be taken in the making of laws the state legislature is divided into two houses—the senate and the assembly.

In order to have all the people fairly represented in the lower house, the assembly, the state is redistricted every ten years, following each United States Census. There are a hundred members in the Assembly. The number of people to be represented by each assemblyman is determined by dividing the population of the state by one hundred. At present each member of the Assembly represents approximately 23,500 people.

There are thirty-three members in the Senate. The number to be represented by each Senator is determined by dividing the population by thirty-three. Each Senator represents approximately 70,000 population.

By act of the legislature the state is divided into districts, the boundaries following county, town and ward lines. The present Assembly and Senatorial districts are found in the Wisconsin Blue Book.

Both Senators and Assemblymen are nominated at the primary election and elected at the general election in November. Assemblymen are elected for two years and Senators for four. In order to be a member of the legislature a person must be a qualified voter of the district from which he is elected.

The pay of members of the legislature is very low. Each one receives a salary of but $250.00 a year and ten cents a mile in going to and returning from each session by the most usual route. This is not sufficient to enable men of moderate means to devote their ability and time to the making of laws. Wherever the common good is at stake the best ability in the state should be employed.

(One and two weeks, from today being holidays Professor Kinsman's next article will be three weeks from today. He will then discuss "The Work of the Legislature.")

Cost of War

How much of its income is the United States at present spending for war? E. L.

Answer

The percentage of the Federal revenues spent for military purposes is approximately 90 percent. About 1 percent is spent for the promotion of the general good. And we claim to be civilized.

And Dew Drops

Struck by the notice "Iron sinks" in a hardware shop window, a wag went inside and said that he was perfectly aware of the fact that "iron sank."

Alive to the occasion, the smart shopkeeper retaliated:

"Yes, and time flies, but wine vaults, sulphur springs, jam rolls, grass slopes, music stands, Niagara falls, moonlight walks and holiday trips, scandal spreads, standard weights, India rubber tires, the organ stops, trade returns, and—"

But the visitor had bolted. After collecting his thoughts he returned, and showing his head at the doorway, shouted:

"Yes, I know, and marble busts."—Science and Invention Magazine.

The Greeks were among the first to insist on gymnastics as part of the early training of the child. They acted on the principle of a "a sound mind in a sound body," and thus the moral training of the young was included in the physical work carried on in the gymnasium.—Galesville Republican.

THINGS MUSICAL

By H. MARGARET JOSTEN

Remember the Elks' Band concert at the Elks' hall this afternoon at three o'clock. The organization has prepared a varied program which will be both entertaining and instructive. Besides the following simple list of numbers the program sheet will carry explanatory notes.

America.

March, Bravura ..... C. E. Duble
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Overture, Greeting ..... Franz Mahl
America Triumphant Clifford Demarest
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(b)—Humoresque, "Who's Next" or the Conductor in Trouble ..... H. Bellsted
In the Garden of My Heart ..... Ernest Ball
Mrs. F. A. Pruess.
Overture, Martha ..... F. W. Flotow
(a)—My Cairo Love .. J. M. Missud
(b)—Manana Chilian Dance ..... J. M. Missud
Overture, Chimes of Normandy ..... Laurendeau
March, Glory Triumphant.

It is the present plan of the organization to give one concert a month charging only a nominal sum to cover necessary expenses. The band itself is one of the most admirable of our community enterprises and deserves the appreciation and support of every citizen.

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Band music to most of us suggests marching feet, a sense of exhilaration, a stinging in the eyes and a chokey feeling in the throat. But it is well to remember that the only ingredient a town needs from which to concoct a celebration of any sort is a band. Not all the fire-works in the world, either real or oratorical can produce the spontaneous expressions of happiness and good-will that band music can evoke. Moreover it is not without reason that artists have painted celestial beings more often with trumpets than with harps. Certainly if on that long ago, first Christmas Eve the heavenly hosts had an instrumental accompaniment to their "Joy to the World" it was the thrilling liquid note of the trumpet.

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On the Sunday immediately following Christmas, in the evening a cantata "The First Christmas" is to be given at the First Presbyterian church by the choir under the direction of Miss Stella Trane. This composition is a new one by Louis Adolph Coerne, well known to many La Crosse people during the time when he was teaching in the college of Music at the University of Wisconsin. It is of unusual interest being written for woman's voices alone and this initial presentation should attract much attention here.

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One of the greatest carols ever written was composed by one who had he been a musician might have produced such a one as "Oh Come all ye faithful" but being only a novelist wrote the beloved Dickens Christmas Carol. This has been dramatized and is to be presented at the High School on Wednesday night of this week by a class under the direction of Miss Briggs. Old familiar carols are to be sung by the Glee Clubs and it is hoped that this will develop into a big neighborhood sing from which everyone will go away saying with Tiny Tim "God Bless us Everyone."

Foolishness

"You simply can't reason with a woman." "Who wants to?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Razor clams are found on all shores except in the Polar regions.

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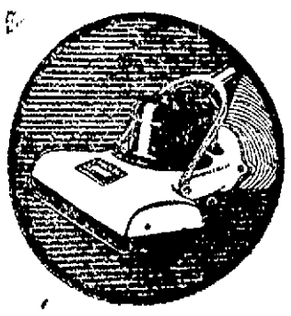

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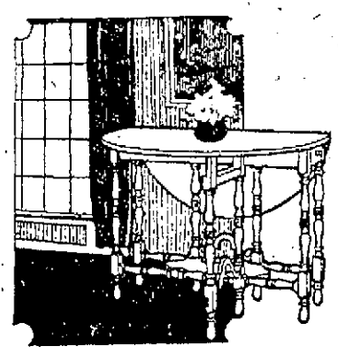

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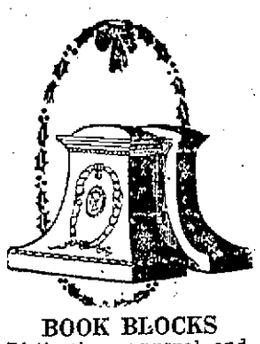

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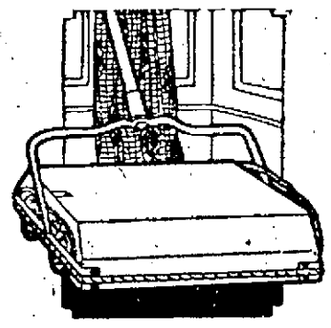

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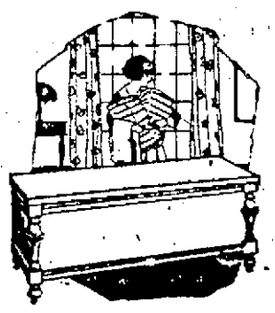

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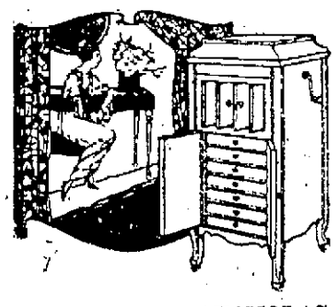

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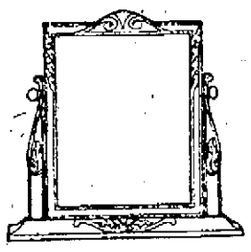

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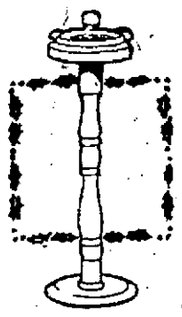

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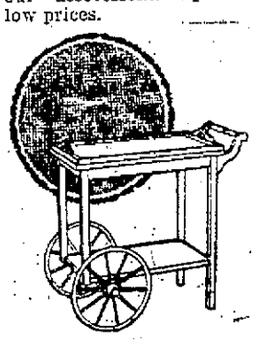

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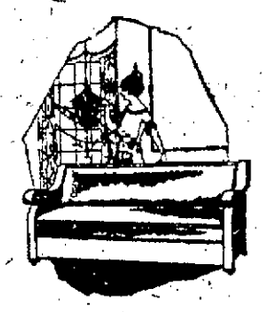

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NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL IS TO BE GIVEN BY THE AMERICAN LEGION

The Newly Organized Kiwanis Club Gives Weekly Luncheon at Sidney Hotel

SPARTA, Wis. (Special) — The New Years Eve Ball will be given by the Orville L. Arnold Post of the American Legion. The ball given last year by this organization was such a great success in every respect, it was then decided to make it an annual affair, and this year the members of the Legion are bending every effort to make this affair grander and better than ever. No effort or expense will be spared to provide excellent music and a fine program. An interesting program will be interspersed with dancing. The greeting of the New Year will be one of the principal events of the evening. There will be entertainment for young and old and for those who do not dance, as well as those who do.

The weekly luncheon of the newly organized Kiwanis Club was held at the Sidney Hotel, Wednesday noon. Rev. E. E. Horth, pastor of the M. E. church was the speaker of the occasion, and Walter Card of the E. C. V. store, gave away five pairs of silk socks—one pair to each 3rd, 5th 7th, 9th and 11th names drawn from the pan.

Last week the members of the club gave as the response to the roll call "What Sparta Most Needs". The answers were worth considering. Amonk them were, a new High School, better roads, a town band a daily newspaper, more cooperative feeling between the town folks and the farmer, and also the same spirit between town business men; and better electric light service. As this last response was given by Mr. Rodenhuis, manager of the local office of the Wis. Minn. Light and Power Company, it brought forth applause.

Dr. Prince, supt. of the State School for Dependent Children was to have given a talk, but instead he introduced a magician, who was at the school to entertain the children, and he did some stunts in sleight of hand. It was a most enjoyable meeting. Interest in the club is growing.

Mr. George Hewitt, a former Sparta resident, and Mrs. Stevens of Condee, S. D., were united in marriage at Minneapolis, Minn., after which they went to northern Wisconsin to visit relatives, and then returned to Condee, where Mr. Hewitt is engaged in managing a restaurant and rooming house. His daughter, Miss Bernice Hewitt is a resident of Sparta.

Mr. Ward Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hi Howard of this city, and Miss Mildred Ward stole a march on their friends and went to Winona, Dec. 6, where they were united in marriage. They have returned to Sparta, and will make their home with Mr. Howard's parents. Congratulations and good wishes are extended the young couple.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church took in $198.85 at their annual Yuletide bazaar and chicken pie supper last Friday night. After all expenses were paid, the neat sum of $158 was realized.

The Sparta Commandry, Knights Templar, elected the following officers for the year 1921:

Eminent Commander—Harley W. Jefferson. Captain General—R. A. Merrill. Senior Warden—H. J. Masters, Junior Warden—Edw. R. Arnold. Prelate—A. J. Frye. Treasurer—A. W. Barney. Recorder—G. H. Chaffee. Trustee—3 years—W. McBride.

About seventeen couples of young people surprised Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Knight at the Aylesworth home last Tuesday night, giving them a welcome to the city as residents. A picnic supper was served and a general good time enjoyed.

The Ladies of St. John's Episcopal church held a silver tea and apron sale at the home of Mr. L. T. Hill, Thursday afternoon from three to six o'clock.

Miss Elsie Steele was hostess to a party of friends, Friday evening. A good time was had by the young folks.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hornstock entertained a company of friends at a 500 party Wednesday evening. Fifty guests were present. Prizes were awarded to E. A. Cordes and Mrs. Eugene Arnold.

The Travel club met with Mrs. Mary Clark on North Water street, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Jefferson entertained a company of friends at a six o'clock dinner, Thursday evening.

The Home Study club met Tuesday afternon with Mrs. George Hornstock.

Miss Kathryn Merrill was hostess to a number of her little friends, Monday p. m.

A large company of friends surprised Miss Alma Mathews, at her home on Kent street, Friday evening, the event being in honor of her eighteenth birthday. A most enjoyable time was had by the young folks.

Special music will be rendered at the Congregational church, Sunday morning by the large chorus choir, and the choir of the Methodist church, assisted by other talent, will give a sacred concert in the church, Sunday evening, Dec. 26.

Word has been received in the city of the marriage of Miss Helen Dorment, a former Sparta girl, and Mr. Charles W. Brown, postmaster at Gardnerville, Nevada. The bride was a graduate of the Sparta high school, class of 1918. Soon after commencement, she went to San Francisco, to take a course of study in the Carson Valley Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will reside in Gardnerville. The good wishes of many Sparta friends are extended to the bride in her new home.

BRINGING UP FATHER

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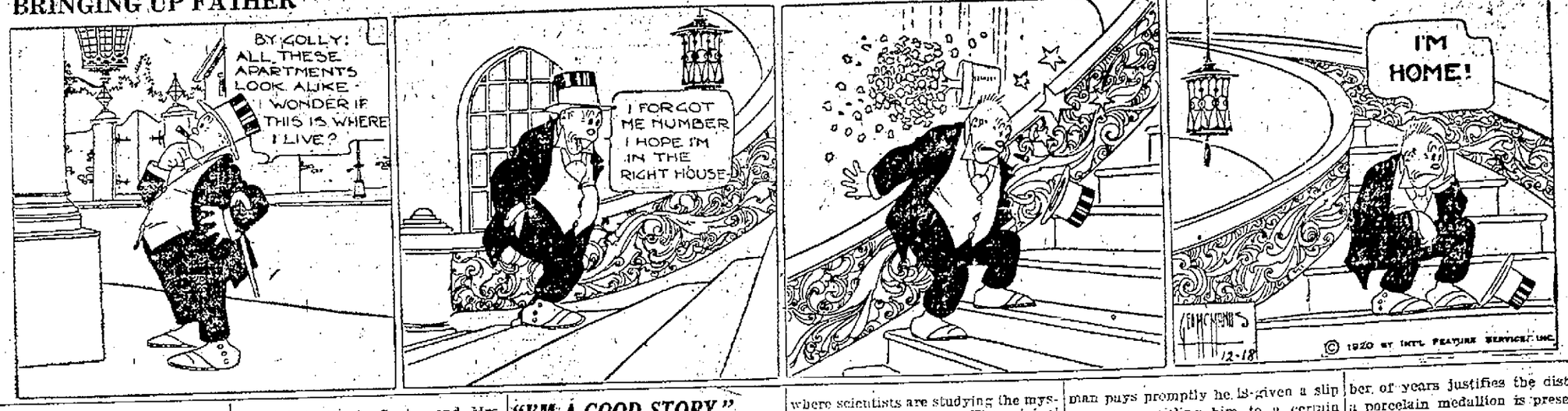
By GEORGE McMANUS



"I'M A GOOD STORY," HE PHONES EDITOR

SEATTLE, Wash.—"I escaped from the state insane asylum last night," telephoned a man to the editor of a newspaper here. "All the cops are looking for me. I guess I'm a good story, eh?" The telephone said his name was Louis Cobb. They haven't found him yet.

Brazil's Big Snake Nursery

There are said to be more snakes in Brazil than in any other country of the western hemisphere, an exchange remarks. At Butantan, near Sao Paulo, there is a great snake garden where scientists are studying the mysteries of snake biology. The original season for the establishment of the garden, which is a huge nursery for snakes, was to obtain serum enough for those bitten by snakes throughout Brazil. The garden is 600 acres in extent and divided into three departments, two of which are devoted to cobras, crotalids and bothrops, the most poisonous snakes known; while the third department is given to the nonpoisonous snakes.

Prizes for Promptness

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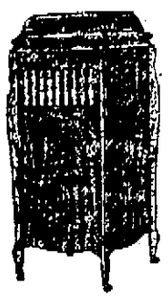

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Buddy.

Will Buddy be disappointed? Not this year, for plans are now under way to give him and his playfellows such a Christmas celebration as will not soon be forgotten.

The Rescue Mission, always the scene of much activity, is wearing a busier air than usual, and many and varied are the preparations being made in connection with the keeping of Christmas.

With Santa Claus as the Master of Ceremonies, the children of La Crosse will hold high carnival in the rooms of the Mission at 218 Pearl street on Christmas night. A huge tree will be there to lend holiday cheer to the festivities, and bring the thrill to youthful hearts which only

a Christmas tree with its sparkling trappings can give. Then Santa will make his appearance and the merry-making will begin. There will be gifts for everyone from the youngest to the eldest—gifts of every size and description. Not only will there be gifts in the form of toys, but plenty of candy, nuts and fruit for all. For the members of the Mission's Sunday School class of twenty boys there will be a special present from a prominent business man of La Crosse. He will give to each of the boys the gift of a year's membership in the local Y. M. C. A. Santa and his helpers will distribute the gifts and each child will receive not one but three or four.

After receiving their presents, the children of the Rescue Mission's Sunday School will repair to the basement of the building which is now being remodeled in an effort to enlarge the all too small quarters of the institution. The remodeled basement is to serve in a sense as a club room of the Mission. Here the children may play without interruption, as the walls are to be covered with beaver board, thus lessening the danger of destruction.

When the Mission's children have been taken care of, Santa will dispense the remaining gifts to those children who do not attend the Mission regularly. Although the festivities are primarily for the children of La Crosse, all grown-ups will also be welcomed and perhaps old Santa may have a few extra pieces of candy in the bottom of his pack just to make them remember how they once kept faith with him.

Local Dealers Donate Gifts

Following a custom of many years, local department stores, when closing the holiday season on Christmas eve, turn over for the Mission's distribution all those toys that have become damaged in the rush of shopping and also numerous other toys. Funke's and Kratchwill's candy factories which have supplied the candy on many similar occasions, have again volunteered to do so this year. Already the Mothers' Club of the Mission is busy making attractive bags of tarletan to hold the sweets given each child. The Burns Fruit House will give the nuts and a barrel of apples as heretofore.

But the Christmas plans of the Rescue Mission do not end with Christmas day. Through the local churches and by direct donation, citizens who wish to help in their own city may contribute to the general fund which is to be used for the Mission's annual gift to the children. On the day after Christmas, this money is used to fit each child with a pair of shoes.

Mission Work Changing

In pursuance of the program which the Mission is now carrying out, the Christmas celebration is in the main for the children of the community. It is the children who, the institution is trying to reach.

"I figure that if I can get hold of the children they'll never get away from their early training when they grow up," said D. C. Dewey, superintendent of the local Mission, and cited many incidents to prove his contention.

According to Mr. Dewey Rescue Mission work is taking on a new aspect. Comparatively few vagrants have been taken care of since the war he says. The La Crosse Rescue Mission has an enrollment of 66 children in its Sunday School and has pledged 15 Girl Reserves. It also has it mothers' clubs and boys' organizations and is in many ways becoming a community center.

We're Dealers In Heat

If you want to get in touch with the best coal that ever made a family out of relatives you should investigate the sort of fuel we're selling. It will warm you up properly and you will like the way we deliver it.

A. J. Eberhart Coal Co.

505 Wall St. Phone 191.
South Side Office: Jay St., between 2nd and 3rd.
Phone 671.

TAKE a Christmas ride in one of our warm, comfortable, finely appointed, speedy cars. Make yourself a present all your friends will enjoy. Call us up and send for our car—best auto livery service in town.

"Ever Ready—that's us."

LaCrosse Taxi Co.

KANE BROS., Props.
419 State St. Phone 761.

Protection

There may be a million dollars worth of merchandise loaded in trucks, hurrying to freight depots and wharves, stopped dead by the upraised hand of this Guardian of the Law.

There may be financial giants and dignitaries of the highest rank fussing and fuming in luxurious limousines because of the delay.

That doesn't matter. The only thing that does matter is the safety, the welfare of the public—of everyone; whether that person has but a few pennies jingling in his purse or a bank account that mounts into dizzy figures.

That is the duty of the traffic cop—and he does it. He doesn't stand alone. It isn't his star, shiny buttons or size that give power to his commands. It is the force back of him—the will—the wealth—determination of a great city.

Stationed at the buying corners of America for nearly a third of a century, has been a staunch, true guardian of Baking Powder value, the Calumet trade mark, the well known blue and orange Calumet label with the Indian head.

It is the firm, upraised hand against inferior quality—against impurity, uncertainty, unfair dealing and greed of excessive profits. It is the protector of those who are not acquainted with Baking Powder quality—of those who are striving to raise food standards and reduce food costs.

And it does protect. It protects because back of every can of Calumet Baking Powder is an inflexible policy of honesty in manufacturing and honesty in selling. Back of every can is a set purpose to give every buyer of Calumet the highest of quality, the utmost of purity and to do this at the lowest possible cost to the consumer.

Back of every can, are the big Calumet Factories—the largest baking powder plants in the world, the most modernly equipped, the most sanitary. Here a corps of food experts, of chemists and of bakers are constantly testing, testing, testing; proving the purity of every ingredient proving the leavening strength of Calumet—proving its economy—protecting you against all possibility of an inferior or an uncertain leavener; fulfilling in every way our every obligation to the buying public.

The housewife who must count every penny as well as the women of unlimited means gets this protection—no matter where she buys Calumet or when.

Calumet has no equal—no superior. It received highest awards at the World's Pure Food Exposition, Chicago. It was granted highest honors at the Paris Exposition, Paris, France. It is sold at a moderate price. It contains only such ingredients as have been officially approved by U. S. Food Authorities. It is pure in the can—pure in the baking.

Calumet is the biggest selling baking powder in the world today, because—and only because—it is the most dependable, "Best by Test" and never anything else.

BOY'S UNION SUITS

Boys' Part Wool Union Suits, large sizes only, 12, 14 and 16, worth up to $2.50 per suit, Sale Price Monday **$1.69**

MEN'S UNION SUITS

Men's Ribbed Fleeced Union Suits in sizes 38 and 40 only, so we make the price per garment **$1.50**

DOERFLINGER'S

Christmas Suggestions
-of true acceptability-

Men's Union Suits

Men's extra heavy Fleece Lined Union Suits, former price $2.50, Sale price **$1.89**

Men's Socks

Men's part wool Socks, medium weight, ribbed top, in black, grey and oxford. 50c value, sale price per pair **35c**

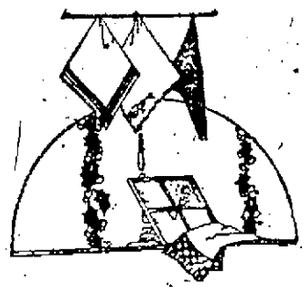
Children's Union Suits

Children's Ribbed Fleeced Union Suits for boys or girls, any size, per garment .. **$1.00**

At Last, a Big Cut Price Sale of FURS

This offering is an unusual one, in view of the fact that the coldest weather is nearly upon us, but the market has been extremely backward this year and so it is necessary to take unusual measures to dispose of our stock. This sale includes every fur set or separate piece in our big stock, fur coats not included. Scarfs, complete sets, children's sets and separate muffs of mink, fox, wolf, oppossum, stone marten, raccoon, nutria, black and grey fox, coney and many others, all offered for sale Monday at . . . . . .

1/2 Price



Xmas Handkerchiefs

As a Special Inducement

$3.00 Worth of Stamps with every 50c purchase of Handkerchiefs. A good chance to fill your book.

Women's Cotton Handkerchiefs, hemstitched borders, at—

5c, 10c, 15c and up

Women's cotton and all linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, white and colored embroidered corners, at—

5c to 98c

Women's pure linen Handkerchiefs, at—

25c, 35c and 40c

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs in all linen and cotton, at—

15c, 20c, 25c and 35c

Big variety of Women's Boxed Handkerchiefs, two and three in box, at—

50c, 75c and 98c

Men's White Cotton Handkerchiefs, at—

10c, 15c, 20c and 25c

Children's Boxed Handkerchiefs, two and three in a box, at—

25c and 35c

Sensational Holiday Millinery Bargains

100 Trimmed Winter Hats

A wonderful clearance bargain—these stylish Trimmed Winter Hats are wonderful values. They will go fast—Come early!

$3.00

La Crosse's Biggest, Best and Busiest Millinery Department

Doerflinger's Second Floor

Sateen Bloomers

Extra fine quality Sateen Bloomers, ankle length, full cut, special at—

$1.98

New SPRING DRESSES

Every day we are receiving New Spring Dresses of Cloth and Silk. We invite your inspection.

OUR CORSET DEPARTMENT OFFERS MANY SPLENDID GIFT SUGGESTIONS

For your mother or wife, a splendid new corset, a pretty camisole or brassiere, a Ferris Waist for little sister, garters for either mother, wife or sister. Ask to see our garters that can be worn with or without corsets. Underwaists, Sanitary Goods, Bandeaux and Confiners.

You could not think of a better gift than those you can find in this department, all at reasonable prices.

A Few Timely Suggestions to the Christmas Shopper from the Linen and Domestic Departments

Remember your Christmas Shopping Days are numbered and the earlier you make your purchases the better and more complete is the assortment.

Let us suggest a "DERRYVALE GENUINE IRISH LINEN TABLECLOTH with napkins to match, at moderate prices.

We also have a large assortment of MADEIRA REAL HAND EMBROIDERED NAPKINS, DOILIES AND SCARFS in all sizes and a varied selection of designs.

Our stock of lace trimmed scarfs and squares also embroidered scarfs, doilies and squares is now complete.

Let us call your attention also to the large selection of Embroidered and Hemstitched Pillow Cases, prices from.. **59c** up

Bath Robe Blankets

Our complete stock of Genuine Beacon Bath Robe Blankets in all colors and designs. Regular price $7.00, special at each **$5.95**

Bed Blankets

Bed Blankets in grey and tan, good firm quality, nicely napped and well made, sizes 60x76 inches, our $3.28 value, special at each **$2.19**

Outing Flannel

36-inch Colored Outing Flannel in neat pink and blue stripes, also a few greys, good firm cloth, nicely napped on both sides, special for Monday, per yard **35c**

Timely Christmas Suggestions. Buy Dependable Yard Fabrics at Practically Lower Prices than Existed Before the War. Read these Timely Christmas Offerings. It Pays Big Dividends for You.

36 inch **New Stripe Shirting Percales,** excellent assortment, Christmas special per yard **25c**

36 inch **Printed Madras Shirtings,** big variety of styles, Christmas special per yard **39c**

39 inch **White Novelty Cotton Goods,** every weave in demand, Christmas special per yard **48c**

36 inch **Woven Stripe Cotton Madras,** neat waisting styles, Christmas special per yard **59c**

32 inch **Fine Imported Dress Ginghams,** stylish plaid designs, Christmas special per yard **59c**

36 inch **Printed Silk and Cotton Goods,** floral print styles, Christmas special per yard **98c**

36-inch all Wool Navy Blue Storm Serge, firm, heavy twill, Christmas special, yd. **$1.19**

32-in. Satin Stripe Tub Silks, big values, all high grade goods, Christmas Special, yd. **$1.69**

36-in. White and Flesh Wash Satin, special weight for underwear, Christmas Special, yd. **$1.75**

36-inch Black Beauty Brand Taffeta Silk, extraordinary value, Christmas Special, yd. **$1.88**

54-in. Amoskeag all Wool Imperial Serge, standard navy blue, Christmas Special, yd. **$2.98**

2-pound Carton Wool Batts, size 72x90, regular quilting size, Christmas Special, roll **$1.65**

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The Walrus

"The time has come the Walrus said
To talk of many things
Of shoes and ships and sealing wax
Of cabbages and kings."

(BY C. A. W.)

Having had a little experience, I am here to assert that cranking a flivver or any other kind of a motor-propelled vehicle, is no job for a woman. Hence I was not surprised when the announcement was made at the last meeting of the common council that Miss Buck, one of the most capable city nurses, had broken down in health as a result of driving a small car of the vintage of 1918 at all seasons of the year in all kinds of weather, while ministering to the sick in every section of the city. One can readily imagine Miss Buck stepping out of a warm house after bathing a new-born baby beside a hot stove, and tussling with the crank on the auto for five or ten minutes in a temperature ten below zero; then driving two or three miles in the cold to step into another warm house to work over some sick person, and repeating this process two or three dozen times a day.

Now, with possibly five months of disagreeable weather ahead, the board of health is asking the common council to provide Miss Buck with a cheap enclosed car equipped with a self-starter. And while the council committee deliberates, a good many persons in this community are rather impatiently waiting, I am informed, to see what the answer will be.

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A real world war veteran landed in La Crosse the other day when Mike Kanelakas dropped in, all the way from Tripoli, Greece, and gave his brother, Peter who runs a pool room here, a delightful surprise. Mike is a clean-looking Greek boy and one could hardly conceive, in giving him the "once-over", that he had three years of hard fighting on the Macedonian front. He came through without a scratch, and despite hardships galore which he experienced in the war, arrived in this country possessed of boundless ambition and determination, which found expression immediately after his arrival here, in becoming a member of an evening English class at the vocational school and taking divers and several jobs between classes to pay his way. Mike hadn't been in La Crosse over a week before he vowed it was the only place on earth to live, and now he is engaged in the fascinating pastime of endeavoring to become an American citizen in jig time.

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The greatest object lesson ever submitted in this community on the evils of trying to evade the restrictions imposed by a law which is known as the Volstead Act, is to be seen in a large room on the west side of the hallway on the second floor of the postoffice building. If the prohibition agents in Albert Wolfe's jurisdiction had searched the Western district of Wisconsin for two or three years they could not have gathered a more startling array of moonshine liquor than that to be seen in the aforementioned room.

Scattered about on the floor and on desks and tables is liquor of every conceivable color of the rainbow, containing sediment, dirt, and germs of lead and tin and various other kinds of poisoning, the federal agents tell me.

In the same room are the poorly-made—make-shift stills, with lead joints exposed and also tin vessels in which beverages were manufactured. I am not disposed to argue the merits of the Volstead enforcement Act, but have no hesitation, after viewing "Exhibit A" in the federal liquor cases which the grand jury here has been considering for the past five weeks, in advising the "boys" who still have a thirst to "lay off" that moonshine dope, if they care to enjoy the pleasures of this mundane sphere their allotted span of life. It's poison, fellows—that's all.

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The past week witnessed the departure of a number of our citizens for points in California, Florida and other states in the sunny south where old man Winter gives the inhabitants only an occasional jolt and where one finds little use for snow shovels or fur-lined coats. I saw Dr. Will Powell and wife boarding a train Thursday for Los Angeles, after six delightful months spent with old friends in the gateway city. Yesterday John P. Bird started out on his annual pilgrimage to California carrying his usual equipment of fishing rods and other out of door sporting utensils. Mr. Bird will be back the day before the trout season opens if the trains run on schedule time, and they'd better. I understand that the first of the year will find C. J. Felber and family nicely settled in their handsome new winter home at Miami. A number of other families will depart for the south shortly after the holidays, while February will witness still more leaving the snow and ice for green grass, birds and flowers and balmy breezes that blow o'er miles of sun-kissed sand beaches.

MICKEY LOSES ALL HIS NINE LIVES

SEATTLE.—Mickey, fire department mascot, lost all his nine lives while defending his alley promenade against two canine trespassers. The cat had been rescued from a snow storm back in 1908.

MILK-FED POULTRY OUTPUT OF LOCAL PLANT

BIG NEW BUSINESS BUILT UP BY THE MILLER-ROSE FIRM

Expert Pickers Can Dress Two Hundred Head of Chickens in Day in this Plant

"Time to milk the chickens!"

The reporter gulped.

"Oh, we don't get milk from them" explained G. B. Miller of the Miller-Rose Produce Plant, quickly dispelling illusions of a feathered creature which combined the lacteal virtues of the bovine with the egg laying propensities of the barn yard fowl.

Mr. Miller led the way to the second floor of what was formerly the Langdon-Boyd Packing Plant but which now houses La Crosse's newest industry. Again, ye scribe was stunned. Thousands of chickens were busy at their first installment of the evening meal.

"We feed them buttermilk" Mr. Miller continued. "Buttermilk, besides being a great fattener when combined with other foods, contains lactic acid which bleaches out the skin and the dark meat. The birds are fed from five to seven days. At the end of that time they are killed dry picked, chilled, wrapped in parchment paper, carefully graded as to both quality and size, packed a dozen to the box and hustled to Philadelphia, Boston or New York where they are sold as a great delicacy."

The chickens were not running around. They were confined in "batteries. A battery is something of a chicken apartment house on wheels. It is built of steel, has four floors, and each deck has four rooms. Each battery holds ninety-six birds.

The chickens gain rapidly in weight when confined, it was explained. Two and three men were kept continuously busy in satisfying their ravenous appetites.

Dry Picking Chickens

Feathers were flying in great gobs in the dressing department in the basement.

"Our dry picking gang turns out 2,000 head a day," Mr. Miller explained. "An expert picker will dress from 150 to 200 head a day. Some of these men can stick, bleed and pick a chicken in a little over a minute.

"A dry picked chicken, besides having a better appearance than scalded poultry, has better keeping qualities and will arrive on the market in a better shape."

All of the feathers are saved, renovated and sold for filling mattresses and pillows.

Packing for Christmas

In the packing cooler several tons of poultry were being graded, packed and branded.

"We have many grades of poultry, depending upon quality," it was pointed out. "Fancy poultry is sold under brands, the same as shoes or canned tomatoes. Any chickens showing little effect of feeding, having any sort of bemish or showing poor dressing do not go in the top grades."

After being packed, the poultry is loaded into iced refrigerator cars and immediately shipped.

During the week just closed, the plant turned out fifty tons of poultry, chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys, all rushed to the east for the holiday market.

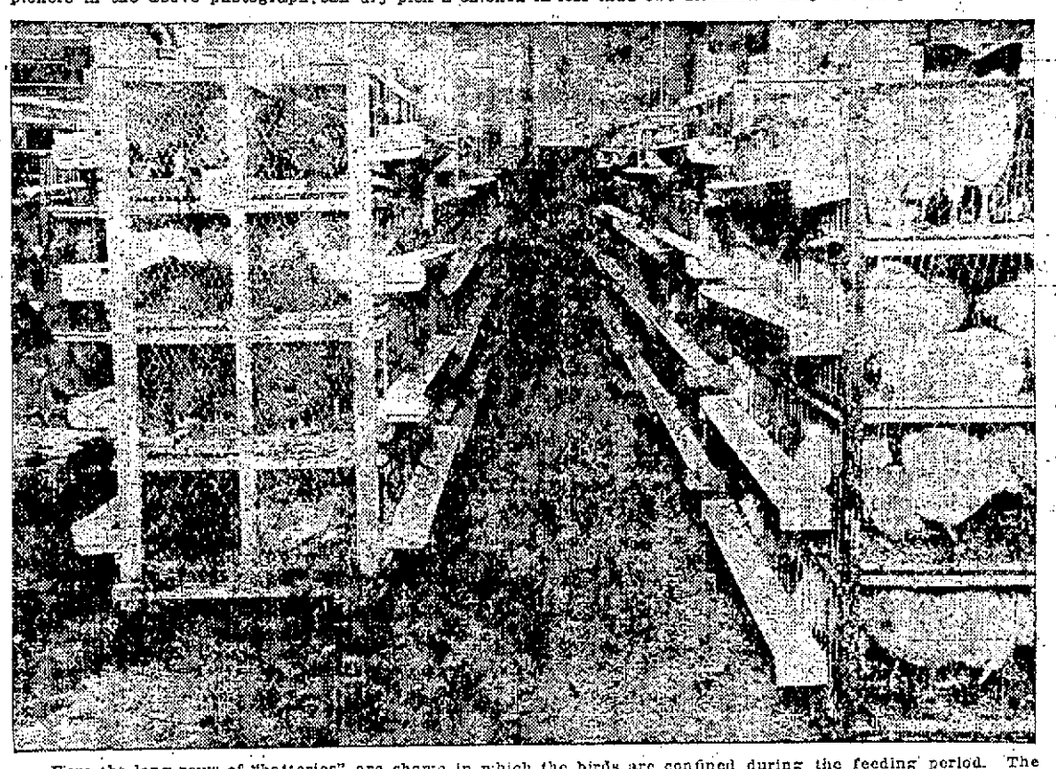
More than four tons of turkeys were shipped. Since opening up less than six weeks ago, the plant has averaged more than twenty tons of poultry through its feeding station and dressing department each week.

Most of the poultry is secured within a radius of fifty and sixty miles of La Crosse although many shipments come from a greater distance. It is bought from small poultry dealers although much is purchased direct from farmers.

The poultry season lasts from June until the middle of January. During the spring and summer the company expects to do a big egg business.

The house is employing from 50 to 60 men and women.

A glimpse of one section of the "dressing gang" at work. Although the movement and marketing of poultry is greatly stimulated by holidays' demands, a steady flow of poultry will be dressed nine months of the year. Many pickers in the above photograph can dry pick a chicken in less than two minutes. They are on piece work basis.



Here the long rows of "batteries" are shown in which the birds are confined during the feeding period. The present feeding capacity of the plant is from 12,000 to 15,000 head, which the company is intending to increase to 30,000 head by next summer.

CARNIVAL SPIRIT GROWS BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS AS WINTER EVENT APPROACHES

BIGGEST GATHERING IN CITY'S HISTORY ASSURED NEXT MONTH

Co-operation of Thousands of Citizens Required to Make the Event a Success

Some people in La Crosse might like to know who started this Corn and Grain Show and who suggested the Mid-Winter carnival in connection with the Show. And they have a right to know. A former resident of La Crosse, who is now a traveling representative for a department of the University of Wisconsin, together with several persons in La Crosse who have always been interested in seeing the farmers of the countryside given a chance to show where, when and how they excelled, tried to induce the Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Association to bring the Show to La Crosse because it was more central and because this county had made such a splendid showing in state, national and international shows for many years.

They succeeded in making the officers of the Association feel that La Crosse really wanted this great annual event and if the city proves it by actions as well as words, there is no reason why it cannot and may not be held here for many years to come. It is the classic event of its kind in this part of the country and a great honor to have it held here, but the city simply has to show that it appreciates it's presence if it wants the show to return again, and if it wants those who come here to go back home and dilate on the splendid manner in which those present were entertained.

The carnival committee is composed of five young business and professional men, who were trying to arrange for a Fall Carnival. They decided when they talked it over that to do the same thing in a bigger way when the corn and grain show was here would serve the triple purpose of making it pleasant for the visitors, giving our own people the best time they ever had, especially during the Winter months, and prove to the northwest that La Crosse, Wisconsin could put things across in a big way.

Some questions have been asked as to the nature of the carnival. Not a few people seem to imagine that it will be a winter edition of the summer carnival with Ferris Wheel, etc. On the contrary there will be no selling or dealing. Perhaps the word "merrymaking" would suit the occasion better than carnival. There will be parades, sport contests, snow building and snow fights, sliding, skiing, skating and humorous ceremonials in connection with the King, Queen and their train. It will be a time when every one will be having just the gayest, most joyous time of their lives—except permanent grouches and they will be enjoying themselves possibly trying to make the others unhappy. But there won't be many of them—one just can't feel grouchy during a Winter carnival.

Get a Red Button

Everyone can help make this a 100 percent success. There are scores of ways to do this and every one can find their place. In the first place every single family should have at least one red button and some member of the family should wear it constantly. If possible several members should own a button. The expenses of the carnival and the corn and grain show will be paid by the sale of buttons. There are very few families in La Crosse which are willing to admit they are so poor, they cannot afford to do their one-dollar share in being hospitable to these visitors who will mean so much to us in dollars and cents and advertising—even if some one wasn't high-minded enough to care about their friendship.

Many Rooms Needed

Another way in which a very important help can be given is by the citizens of the community placing vacant or unoccupied rooms in their homes at the service of the visitors, through the general committee. The visitors are the most successful up-to-date people in their business. They want no donation from any one and it is a distinctive honor to have them as guests in any home in this city. The committee will ask the women citizens of the town to show their patriotism and public spirit by agreeing to rent to those assigned to them by the registration committee, sleeping quarters at the rate of one dollar per person per night. It is believed that as many as a thousand homes will thus be added to the hotels and regular boarding houses, which cannot possibly care for the vast crowd which will come in for the three or four days of this event.

Every club, fraternity, school or business house which can possibly do so, should organize a marching club, and secure a uniform. Those who do not desire to have a heavy blanket or a mackinaw uniform, can devise some clever garment to be worn over the overcoats. Some of the clothing factories may decide to make use of their own products which will add greatly to the general fun. Steps to do this should be taken at once and the various organizations mentioned, and any others who desire should get in touch with the special committee of Eugene Manning's department, which consists of Capt. R. F. H. Schultz, Chairman, H. O. Williams, Clarence Jerue, W. D. McIntire and E. A. Burns. Don't put it off; do it now.

WARNING! KEEP YOUR CELLAR LOCKED

TOLEDO.—John Dink thinks someone else thinks its safer to put hooch in someone else's cellar. When cops found a gallon in John's basement he denied knowing anything about it.

HAITI PLANS TO ATTRACT TOURIST TRADE FROM U. S.

Business Men Try to Do Away With Crowd of Beggars Which Besieges Visitors

PORT AU PRINCE—Americans seldom come to Haiti except on business. It is the rarest thing to see a tourist here and ship travelers, stopping at this port for several hours, rush aboard again after a hurried survey of the water front section. The hordes of beggars besetting the visitors as they attempt to walk through well paved streets, lined with the lame and the blind discourages the visitors.

The Chamber of Commerce, mindful of this evil, is trying to end it, for the organization admits that it is the thing that turns tourists away. Aside from the occupation forces there are about 200 Americans in the capital. Only four full steaming days from New York, Haiti is lucky if it gets mail in eight or ten days.

The one hotel here patronized by Americans sits back toward the base of the mountainside overlooking the sea and beyond walking distance of town. Once acclimated the resident American likes the weather, but there never was a sun in Texas that beats down with the intensity of this Haitian sun around midday.

The old belief held in many parts of the United States that Port au Prince is a breeding spot of crime is wrong now.

HOW HE STARTED LIFE OF CRIME

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa.—"How did you start your life of crime?" Fred Poffenburger, confessed participant in the big mail car robbery here, was asked by officers. "When I was 14 years old, I put cockleburs in a little girl's hair," replied Poffenburger, with tears trickling down his cheek.

CHRISTMAS TREES APLENTY; MISTLETOE AND HOLLY HERE FROM THE SOUTH AND EAST

Have you bought your Christmas tree yet?

No reason for not having one this year, because the prices charged by La Crosse will fit most any purse. Tiny, bits of trees, mere "plants," sell for 25, 30 and 40 cents. Fifteen-foot firs bring 5 and $6.

Several carloads of Christmas trees have been brought to the city from the forests of northern Wisconsin. Dealers say the crop this year is unusually heavy, and hundreds of carloads have been shipped to eastern cities.

The market also is well-stocked with other Yuletide decorations. Magnolia wreaths, that come from the southern states where there is much swampy land and the winters mild, are retailing at about 20 cents a wreath. The chief characteristic of the magnolia is the broad, dark gleaming leaf. The leaf is about twice the size of holly.

Holly wreaths are going at 35 cents each. Bulk holly is bringing 30 cents in some stores. The evergreen is shipped from Delaware.

Mistletoe, associated with Christmas celebrations in northern countries for centuries, is being sent to La Crosse from New Mexico, far removed from the snow and ice of the wintry countries that make so much ado over it. Mistletoe is sold in bulk at 40 cents a pound.

FIFTEEN PICNIC GROUNDS WILL BE EQUIPPED IN LA CROSSE COUNTY BY BOARD

OUTERS TO HAVE CHOICE OF SITES ON ALL HIGHWAYS

Equipment to be Built During Winter and Every Facility Provided on Grounds

Fifteen picnic grounds on main traveled roads in La Crosse county will be equipped with benches, tables and other conveniences for automobilists and others, before the next outing season starts.

Determined to make La Crosse county the most popular rendezvous for automobile tourists in Western Wisconsin and to provide outing facilities for residents of the county at choicest scenic spots to be found in this neighborhood, the state road and bridge committee of the county board of supervisors has outlined elaborate plans for the equipment of picnic grounds during the coming year.

Every picnic ground will be equipped with combination benches and tables which can be moved in units. There will be enough benches and tables to accomodate dozens of persons on every picnic ground. Fire places will be provided, and water will be found near at hand, at every outing spot.

Each to be Marked

Each camping spot will be marked on the highway, so that auto tourists and residents of the county as well may know the location of the ground. Four posts erected in the form of an old fashioned turnstile will be erected at the entrance to each tract.

Sites for the picnic grounds have been tentatively selected by the committee, although the list is not complete. Each site has been selected because of its scenic advantages, as well as its favorable location on main traveled road. No outing place will be on side roads not included in the trunk line system of the county.

Two carloads of lumber which will be used in part for the construction of benches and tables and other equipment of the camping sites, has been ordered. During the winter months the crew employed by County Road Supervisor John Hintgen will make the benches and tables and the coming of spring will find the equipment finished and ready to install on the grounds.

Mecca For Tourists

In a county which abounds in scenic beauties, the equipment of picnic grounds on country roads is calculated to add greatly to the fame of La Crosse as a mecca for tourists, and at the same time give enjoyment to thousands of persons residing in the county who delight in rural outings.

Leaving La Crosse on the Mormon coulee road, the first camping spot, it has been decided by the committee, will be on the popular plateau at Bloomer's Mills overlooking the creek, where it flows between rock walls. This spot, eight miles east of the city, has for years been a mecca for outers.

On the State road coulee highway, one picnic ground will be located in Schams grove on St. Joseph ridge.

Various Sites Selected

Another will be at the spring at the head of Dutch Creek valley, where the road dips down off the ridge toward Bangor.

Another site will be at Neshonoc by the side of the "old mill stream". A picnic ground will be located on the ridge near the Mindoro cut. Spots on both the North and South Salem roads leading out of the city will be equipped for outers. Another place will be selected out of the city near Hunter bridge on the shore of Black river. Burnham valley and other popular coulees will have camping sites.

The grounds will be so located that one can find equipment to enjoy a picnic lunch on any main traveled road, without traveling any great distance.

It is expected the committee will have a complete list of camping sites to be equipped during the coming spring, to announce shortly after the first of the year.

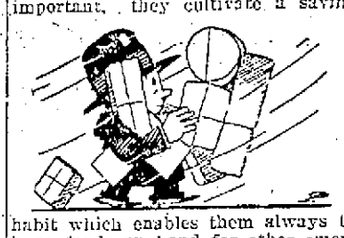
CHRISTMAS CLUB IS UNIQUE PLAN OF SAVING MONEY

Holiday Shopping Offers no Financial Worries for Members of Organization

Holiday shopping brings no burdensome financial worries for one group of citizens in La Crosse.

Unique among the methods employed by residents of this city to accumulate money for the gladsome time of the year when one takes delight in playing Santa Claus to relatives and friends, is the Christmas Club plan conducted by the Security Savings Bank.

Not only are members of the Christmas Club of the local bank relieved of all worries involved in getting funds for holiday buying, but more important, they cultivate a saving



habit which enables them always to have funds on hand for other emergency purposes and a comfortable nucleus for a "rainy day."

J. A. Thwing, cashier of the Security Bank, is authority for the statement that 60 to 70 percent of the money saved in that institution through the Christmas Club memberships comes back into the bank to be placed in savings accounts.

To become a member of the club is very simple. You need only to go to the Security Savings Bank where they will give you, free of charge an attractive little Christmas Club bank book. You can start in this Christmas Club with 1 ct., 2 cts., 5 cts., or 10 cts. and increase the amount of your payment 1ct., 2cts., 5cts., or 10 cts., each week for a period of fifty weeks.

At the end of this time you will have in the 1 ct. club $12.75, in the 2 cts. club $25.50, in the 5 cts. club $63.75, and in the 10 cts. club $127.50.

It is really amazing to see how these little amounts will amount to a nice tidy sum next Christmas. At that time a club member can either draw out all or a part of this money for his Christmas needs, or if he so desires, leave all or a part of this money in the bank to start a regular bank account and increase the balance which he already has.

The bank also offers what they term an even amount club whereby you make your first deposit of 25 cts. $1, $5, $10, $20 or more and deposit this same amount regularly each week for fifty weeks. At the end of fifty weeks the 25 ct. club pays $12.50, the 50 cts. club pays $25, the $1 club pays $50, and the $2 club pays $100, the $5 club pays $250, the $10 club pays $500 and the $20 club pays $1,000.

The Christmas Club idea is nation wide and many, many millions of dollars are now saved in this way every year and dispensed to the people to make them happy.

At the same time, a great many people, we learn, are using the Christmas Club idea to start them on the road to having regular permanent accounts.

HUBBY FAILS TO MAKE GOOD TWICE

SPOKANE.—Jessie married George F. Damon some years ago—and then divorced him on a charge of nonsupport. Then she remarried him. Wants divorce again. Same charge plus desertion.

COLORED LIGHTS FOR WINDOW DECORATIONS

There has been a demand for lights of different colors for the purpose of window decoration and recently there has been invented a lamp for the purpose by which the color may be changed at will by simply inserting a sheet of celluloid. This is used with great effect by window decorators.

YOUTH DEFIES GUNS, BULLETS IN ROBBERY

DENVER.—In spite of many guns and bullets right out in plain sight, a youth robbed a shooting gallery of $14 and escaped.

ELSIE VANDERVORT BECOMES THE BRIDE OF REUBEN RODER

Community Christmas Tree Features Holiday Festivities for Tomah People

TOMAH, Wis. (Special) — Miss Elsie Vandervort, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Vandervort and Mr. Reuben Roder, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Roder, both of this city, were united in marriage on Saturday evening at eight o'clock. Rev. G. M. Willett read the marriage lines in the presence of the immediate relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties. Following the ceremony a reception and dinner were given the bridal pair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vandervort. After a wedding journey, Mr. and Mrs. Roder will be at home to their friends.

The marriage of Miss Ada Paulson and Mr. Glen Bailey occurred at the Methodist parsonage in this city on Wednesday morning, Dec. 15. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey will take up their residence on the Bailey farm, near Tomah.

The Misses Laura and Clara Frohmader entertained at a pre-nuptial shower and dinner party complimentary to Miss Elsie Vandervort. The guests included Miss Vandervort, Miss Sadie Doane, Miss Madge Robertson, Miss Mae Bizelow, Miss Caryl Aller, and Miss Ruth Stollings.

Mrs. Peter Johnson was hostess to a circle of friends at a tea party, on Thursday afternoon.

The Community club of La Grange is arranging for a community Christmas tree. The club elected the following officers:

President — Mr. Edward Sweet; Vice President—Mrs. N. Peterson; Sec.-Treas.—Mr. Ray Steele.

Mr. George Miller celebrated his sixtieth birthday anniversary at an informal neighborhood party.

Miss Amanda Reich entertained the Ladies Aid of Kirby on Thursday afternoon at her home.

The We are Seven club entertained a circle of friends on Saturday afternoon at the home of Jean Warren. A playlet, dancing and refreshments featured the party.

The annual school board and teachers' convention for Eastern Monroe county was held on Monday in Tomah high school auditorium. Three hundr were in attendance and the sessions were most profitable and entertaining.

The Home Study club met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. William Logan.

Miss Annie Reynolds state inspector, visited the teachers' training department on Thursday and Friday and inspected all practice teaching in the grades.

The Rural Life club of Tomah high school held its first meeting on Wednesday evening in the auditorium. The program presented included the following numbers:

Music—T. H. S. Orchestra; Recitation—The Revolt of a Mother. Talk of a Farmer's Wife. Short Addresses by another Farmer's Wife; A University Graduate; Rural Students and a Rural Teacher. Community singing.

Night school opened at the high school on Tuesday evening with a goodly number of students in attendance. Classes in reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, mechanical drawing, shorthand and typewriting were organized.

The Domestic Science department of the Tomah public schools entertained the grade teachers at a dinner party, on Thursday. Holiday decorations in the rooms and on the table predominated. A three course dinner was served and covers were laid for fourteen.

Christmas and Pilgrim celebration programs will be given in all churches of the city also in the public and parochial schools. Pageants, plays and Christmas trees will feature all celebrations.

Mrs. Henry Grentzmacher of Sterling, Ill., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rept.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Allingham are spending two weeks with their daughter, Mrs. Henry German of Iowa City, Ia.

Mrs. Henry Christiansen has completed a visit of several days with Milwaukee relatives.

Mr. E. C. Reising attended the Equity Convention held in Milwaukee.

Miss Norma Vorce is a patient at St. Francis hospital La Crosse.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson have as their guests Miss Evelyn Lynn, Howard Clark, Leo and Clarence Lynn all of Green Bay.

Mrs. McCullough of Viola, Wis. accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Henry Snider to this city and is a guest at the latter's home.

Miss Gullard is spending the week-end at Kilbourn the guest of Miss Anna Vogt.

Mr. T. J. Marsden is a visitor at St. Paul.

Mrs. Frank Dams of Sparta attended the meeting of the Lady Maccabees held on Wednesday evening.

The Misses Laura and Clara Frohmader are guests of Mrs. Ruland of Bangor.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hollister are at home after an extended visit to their son Dr. Roy Hollister and family of Sleepy Eye, Minn.

Mr. Anton Roberson of Battle Creek, Mich., is paying a visit to relatives residing in this city and vicinity.

Mrs. W. H. Niebuhr is a Minneapolis visitor.

Mrs. G. A. Taylor has completed a visit to relatives residing at Beloit.

Mrs. Frank Sauer and Mrs. Mel Moshier are spending the week in Minneapolis with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton have gone to Dalton, Wis., where they are to reside in the future.

Mr. Otto Prolz has been appointed general foreman of a railroad division in Iowa, and has moved his family to Belle Plains.

The sub-district meeting of Methodist churches was held at Wilton, Dec. 15. Rev. George M. Willett of this city addressed the meeting on Evangelism.

Mr. Robert Nicke attended an implement dealers' meeting held at Milwaukee the past week.

Mr. McGregor, District Manager of Mystic Workers attended the regular meeting of the local lodge on Wednesday evening.

Miss Esther Schultz has accepted a position in La Crosse as professional nurse in a hospital.

Mrs. Rueben Smith and son, Jack, of Omaha, Nebr. arrived at the W. W. Warren home for the holiday season. Colonel Smith and sons, Warren and Leonard, join the family party next week.

Among the students at Wisconsin University, the following from this city are at their respective homes: Lydia Hendricks, Helen Madden, John Warren, Stanley Butts, Leon McMullen, Douglas Bell, Wells Anderson and Howard Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Birkemeirer and children, Mrs. Kelly, Florence and Mildred, Jack, of Edgerton, Wis., have arrived in this city.

Mr. Birkemeirer is a stockholder in the Harper Leaf Tobacco company where he is employed.

La Verne Bigelow who has been for the past year at Minocqua, is enjoying a visit to his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Richards of Dubuque, Ia., were recent guests at the F. H. Burlin home.

Mrs. Edgar Lockwood, president of the Civic club attended the State Conference in the interests of the Near East Relief Fund held at the Hotel Pfister, Milwaukee.

Mrs. M. R. Strouse entertained at a bridge party on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walter and daughters left this city on Thursday for California where they are to spend the winter. Mrs. A. L. Burdick accompanied the party as far as Chicago, going later to Detroit, Mich., for the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Stevens are at home from a visit to Chicago relatives.

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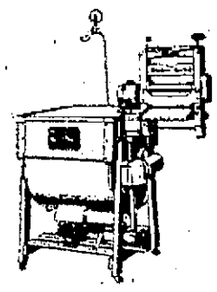

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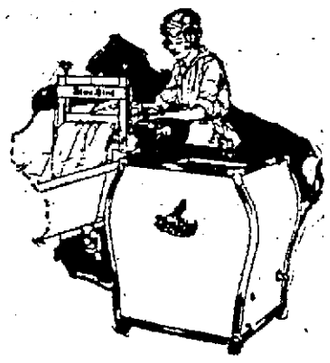

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SOCIETY

MISS EDITH EASTWOOD BECOMES THE BRIDE OF WILSON WOODRUFF

AT THREE O'CLOCK on Thursday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. E. Eastwood, 120 South Seventh street, Miss Edith Eastwood was united in marriage to Mr. Wilson Woodruff of this city. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Erma Eastwood, and the bridegroom by his brother, Mr. George Woodruff. The ceremony was performed amid ferns and palms, a color scheme of green and white being carried out prettily in the bay window. Rev. Claude R. Shaver, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, read the lines using the double ring service. During the entrance of the bridal party, Mendelssohn's wedding march was played.

Following the ceremony a wedding dinner was served to about forty guests, a handsomely decorated bride's cake featuring the table. The bride wore a handsome gown of blue crepe meteor with silver lace and she carried a shower of bridal roses. The bridesmaid wore a frock of green taffeta and carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses. Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff left at midnight for a honeymoon trip and on their return will reside at 120 South Seventh street. The out of town guests were Mrs. George Woodruff, mother of the bidegroom, and her grandson, Milton Woodruff, of Montford, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Peace and Mr. George Woodruff, sister and brother of the bridegroom, of Adams, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Shaefer of Baraboo.

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BORN, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Wenzel of Chicago, an eight and one-half pound daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Wenzel left La Crosse last summer on a trip to Japan and since their return have lived in Chicago.

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MRS. R. F. JEANS, 1441 Charles street, was happily surpised Friday afternoon, the event being her birthday. Luncheon was served from well filled baskets brought by the guests. The honor guest was presented with dishes. Mrs. Robert L. Lowry gave an interesting talk upon her recent trip to the western coast. The guests were Mesdames Lowry, George Franklin, C. F. Bottcher, Hocknoyer, Instenes, Arthur Gilbertson, H. A. Whitland, Worell, F. A. Morley, Durland and Miss Bean.

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MRS. R. E. NOYES was surprised at her home, 603 Liberty street, Friday afternoon. The hostess was presented with a purse of money and luncheon was served. The guests were Mesdames Susane Novak, Edward Orcutt, J. Ryan, A. Young, G. Seiber, F. Whitting, E. Rewey, C. Whipple, F. Ritter, E. Yahle, J. Sallie, R. Freeman, F. Oliver, C. Bottcher, L. Brown, E. Knoebes, R. Noyes, Harold Noyes and Katherine Seiber.

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MR. WILLIAM A. CHUBB of Tacoma has been a guest for a short time the past week of his brother-in-law and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis K. Fullerton. Mr. Chubb was on his way home from the east.

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AN APPETIZING dinner was served Thursday by a number of girls in honor of Mrs. Martin and Miss Ida Anderson, who will spend their Christmas vacation out of town. The other guests were the Misses Minnie Tresa Riley, Frieda Thompson, Ruth Mouske, Vera Gile and Laura Hartman.

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MRS. MARY KENNICUT and daughter, Dorothea, of Spearfish, N. D., will be guests during the holidays of Mrs. Kennicut's mother, Mrs. Charlotte Rawlinson.

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THE SONS of Veterans and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans will hold a joint meeting at the rooms in the court house Monday evening.

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MISS ANNA PAMPERIN has gone to Minneapolis where she will spend the holidays.

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THE REGULAR meeting of the Music Study club was held on Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Charlotte C. Loomis, 413 South Tenth street. Mrs. Herbert H. Chase was the leader of the afternoon. "Modern American Music" was the subject of the lesson and the following program was given:

Biographical notes—Mrs. Chase and Miss Loomis.

Three Etudes—Nancy Wright, Mrs. J. F. Doherty.

Current Events—Mrs. E. C. Thompson.

Selection—Homer Samuels—
(a)—Give Me a Garden.
(b)—My Shadow.
(c)—I Saw Thee Weep ..... Mrs. Harry Hirshheimer

Aesthetic Dances—Francis Hendricks, Mrs. H. W. Livingston.....

Piano—
(a)—Fluttering Leaves.
(b)—Stern November, Cecil Burleigh .... Mrs. Percy L. Cilley

Voice—
(a)—Birch Tree.
(b)—To the Future.
(c)—Break, Break, Cecil Leigh ..... Miss Stella Trane

Violin selection—Hills ..... Mrs. Leigh Toland

(a)—Retreat.
(b)—I came with a story, La Forge .... Mrs. Percy L. Cilley

Valse Cracile, Horatio Parker ..... Mrs. Samuel F. Fellows

Gena Branscomb Mrs. Harry Watkins

Serenade—A Lovely Maiden Roaming ..... Mrs. J. F. Doherty

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THE BUSINESS Woman's club will hold its regular meeting Monday evening at half past seven at the Y. W. C. A. rooms. Amendments to the constitution, which were taken up at the last meeting, will be voted upon by the members as follows: Article III, Section 1.—The officers of the club shall consist of president, first vice president, second vice president, a secretary and a treasurer who shall perform the duties usually required of such officers. Article III, Section IV.—The annual meeting for the election of officers shall be the third Monday in September of each year. Amendment of Article V and Section II—One-fifth of the total membership in round members shall constitute a quorum to carry on the business of the club.

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MAYFLOWER Camp, No. 393, Royal Neighbors of America, will hold a business meeting Tuesday evening, December 21. Election of officers will take place and all the members are urged to be present.

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THE REGULAR meeting of Ruth Chapter, No. 23, Order of Eastern Star, will be held Tuesday evening, December 21, at half past seven. Work will be put on.

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MISS ANNA DAVENPORT, 303 North Eighth street, leaves this evening for the south. She will visit at Vicksburg and Port Gibson, Miss., and New Orleans.

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MRS. P. L. GRANUM has returned from Madison where she attended a concert by the First University band of which her son is a member. Only two other La Crosse boys are members of the first band at the university, A. H. Emerson and Melvin Pierce.

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MR. AND MRS. T. T. Goyette, 1546 Avon street, were guests at a dinner and afternoon party given in honor of their cousins by Mr. and Mrs. Shern at Oak Forrest hotel at Minneapolis before leaving for their annual trip to Florida.

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AT THE MEETING of the Catholic Women's League Thursday evening at the K. C. club, a most interesting Christmas program was presented with Miss Rosalie Lyga in charge. The first part of the program was a pantomine by pupils of Miss Lyga. Miss Lyga gave a very interesting Christmas reading.

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MRS. LOUIS RESS, 524 Winnebago street, gave a farewell party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cullam, who will soon leave for Matamoins, Pa., where they will make their home. Mrs. Cullam was presented with a handsome bedspread. After supper was served the party went to the home of the honor guests, where music and dancing were enjoyed.

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A PARTY of friends surprised Mrs. G. A. Schlicht, 720 South Fifth street, in honor of her birthday. The diversion of the evening was cards, six tables of five hundred being played. The first favors were won by Mrs. G. R. Schlicht and Mr. Nick Liacos; the second by Mrs. S. J. Platz and Mrs. George Malrich and the third by Mrs. J. Schurrer and Mr. George Krause. Mrs. Schlicht was presented with a gift in token of the day and delicious refreshments were served.

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Word has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Peter Klesselbach, Sr., have arrived at Los Angeles, California. They will stop at San Francisco, San Jose and Pasadena, where they will spend the winter.

COMING EVENTS

(These dates are taken.) Before deciding upon dates confer with Chamber of Commerce. Phone 76, and avoid conflict.)

Dec. 21—Salzer Memorial church—Afternoon coffee and sale by Ladies' society of the Chipmunk Coulee church. Proceeds goes to starving people of Europe.

Dec. 29—Rotary Club Ladies' Night—6:30 p. m.—Chamber of Commerce Hall.

Jan. 1—Knights of Pythias of La Crosse New Year Party at Pioneer hall.

Jan. 1—Annual Ball, La Crosse Commandery No. 9—Knight Templars.

Jan. 21—Music Study Club, Allen McQuhae, Tenor, La Crosse Theater.

Jan. 26-27-28-29—State Corn and Grain Show.

Feb. 16—Normal Lecture Course—Mr. Frederick Landis.

Feb. 25—Normal Lecture Course—8:15—Normal School Auditorium—Lecture—John Drinkwater on Abraham Lincoln.

The Perfection Candy Co.

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Broken Mixed, per pound.....15c
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Kryptok Glasses are the ideal Christmas gift for father or mother. Ask about our certificate plan. A. A. Barr, 203 Rivoli Theater Bldg.

Steam Pressure Cookers, A. O. Colby.

Whitman's Candy in one, two three and five pound boxes. Hosely's Cigar store.

Inland Shop for gift bargains.

Magazine subscriptions make excellent gifts, subscribe at Levy's.

Sunday's brick, T.-S. Special Two layer brick of Orange fruit and Grapenut. Ask for "Tri-State" none better, at your dealer. Tri-State Ice Cream Corp.

Mrs. M. Hickey, 1606 Liberty street is confined at the St. Francis hospital.

Dr. Thornton, Osteopath. Linker Bldg. By appointment only.

Don't forget the Poultry Fest and Bazaar at St. John's hall this afternoon and evening, corner Avon and St. James.

Music, dancing, good things to eat. Lotus and Annex every eve.

Christmas Tree Lights. A. O. Colby.

Special home made fancy work at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Market St.

See our complete line of electric fixtures in large display rooms, 2nd floor. The Linker Electric Co. 114 No. 5th St.

Inland Shop for gift bargains.

Whitman's Sampler and super-extra chocolates, in one, two,three and five pound boxes. Hosely's Cigar store.

Funkes Happy Boy, hard candy, Just the thing for the home during the holidays. At your dealer.

Electric Percolators, Grills, Flat Irons, curling irons and all Electric Appliances Thill-Manning-Whalen Co. 512 State street across from City Hall.

"Sunrise Flour"—Ask your grocer.

Music, dancing, Lotus Annex every eve. Good music.

Miss Margaret Hauser, 1628 Avon street, has recovered from her illness.

Sale, All next week. A. O. Colby.

Tickets for the Elks concert can be had at Von Wald-Bedessem store, Main St.

Complete line of Ever sharp pencils, popular as gifts. Inland shop.

Special home made fancy work at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Market St.

The Proper Xmas Gifts for Men? La Fortuna Cigars, In Boxes of 10, 25 and 50 cigars. "They Satisfy."

Cars Overhauled, first class work guaranteed. Solberg Tire Co., 539 Main.

Funkes Happy Boy, hard candy, makes an appreciated Christmas gift. At your dealer.

Miss Orabell Sullivan has returned to her home, 317 Mill street, after visiting relatives at Minneapolis.

Sunday's brick, T. S. Special, two layer brick of orange fruit and grapenut. Ask for "Tri-State" none betrer. At your dealer. Tri State Ice Cream Corp.

65c Plaid Ginghams at 39c per yd. at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Market.

Store open all next week. A. O. Colby.

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A real Christmas gift, the Hoover Suction Cleaner. Linker Electric Co. 114 No. 5th.

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Last chance to get your turkey, or duck for your Christmas dinner, Sun. Dc. 19. Bluff Arcade, 28th and Main.

Mrs. M. E. Toerte of Chicago is visiting relatives here.

Bay Bros. Shoe repairing 1505 Johnson.

Buy her a Singer Sewing Machine for Christmas.

Do you own a piano which you can't play, trade it to us for a new player piano which you can play. Callaway's Music Store, 107 No. 3rd.

Wool Batting and Stocking Yarns at La Crosse Woolen Mills.

A noteworthy event today will be the afternoon concert at the Elks club given by the Elks band. A program of solos and special instrumental numbers will mark the event.

Save money next week, A. O. Colby.

Christmas Greeting Cards. Largest line ever shown. Inland shop.

Ivory Pyralin at Hebberd's.

65c Plaid Ginghams at 39c per yd. at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Market.

Aluminum Water bottles, $2.00 at Hebberd's.

Waterman's Fountain Pens at Hebberds.

Cigarettes, pipes and smoker's articles, for the holidays. Hosely's Cigar store.

Special Brick Ice Cream. Levy's.

For Sale. Dry Oak wood and Oak drubs. Call 1538-C-3 rings.

$1.35 Voiles at $1.00 per yd. at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Market.

Elks' Concert, Sunday, Dec. 19th, 3 p. m.. Elks' hall. Admission 30c. War tax extra.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Goyette, 1546 Avon street have returned from a few days visit in Minneapolis.

Miss Marian Fessenden will open a class in social dancing at Eagle's hall Tuesday evening, Jan. 18. Children's class 7 o'clock. Adults 8 o'clock.

Inland Shop for gift bargains.

Cigarettes, pipes and smoker's articles, for the holidays. Hosely's Cigar store.

Special Brick Ice Cream. Levy's.

Pies 40c. Let us bake your pies and friedcakes, anykind you wish. Phone Allen, 899-M. We deliver.

Costley, court house, draws wills.

Big Sewing machine sale at Singer shop, 108 N. 3rd.

Electric Floor Lamps and Table Lamps of all kinds. Thill-Manning-Whalen Co. 512 State Street-Across from City Hall.

Christmas shoppers were out in force Saturday night, down town streets and stores being crowded.

$1.35 Voiles at $1.00, per yd. at Affeldt's Handy Store, 1425 Market.

Don't forget the Poultry Fest and Bazaar at St. John's hall this afternoon and evening, corner Avon and St. James.

Armory Hall. Dance tonight. Crouse's Ragadours.

Chocolates packed in fancy boxes and baskets 50c to $10.00. Levy's.

Inland Shop for gift bargains.

Eversharp Pencils at Hebberd's.

Do you own a piano which no one at home plays, trade it to us for a brand new phonograph that you can play. Callaway's Music Store 107 No. 3rd.

Boxed Stationery, 50c to $5.00, now at reduced prices. Inland Shop.

There is no shortage of Christmas trees in La Crosse this season. The trees offered for sale are of fine variety and of sturdy growth.

Inland Shop for gift bargains.

Xmas Dolls and toys at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Market.

Fresh Eggs at Smale's.

Xmas Dolls and toys at Affeldt's Handy Store. 1425 Markt.

Cigars, in Christmas packages of ten, twenty-five or fifty. All brands, including union-made goods. Hosely's Cigar store.

A. F. Drew of La Furge was in La Crosse on business Saturday.

Lotus Cafe and Annex—Steaks, Chops, Chop Suey.

"Sunrise Flour" when ordering.

Underwood typewriters. Phone 146.

When in Need of Plumbing, call W. F. Schram. Phone 46.

Rohr Bros. Painters, paperhangers, decorators. Phone 521-C or 1153-M.

C. W. Fowl, of Viroqua, was in the city on business Thursday.

Good skating is to be found on the sloughs about the city.

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Trade your silent piano for a fine new phonagraph at Callaway's Music Store, 107 No. 3rd. St.

Judge Landis will be in La Crosse Monday morning to receive indictments returned by the grand jury. Federal court will convene at 11 a. m.

Eastman Kodaks at Hebberd's.

Whitman's Candy in one, two three and five pound boxes. Hosely's Cigar store.

Christmas Tree Strings, Electric Gifts of all kinds, Thill-Manning-Whalen Co. 512 State Street, across from City Hall.

Five more shopping days before Christmas.

To Dream of the Moon

To see a moon in brilliant clearness—for a wife, love and good health; for a husband increase in wealth. To see the new moon means advancement in business. To see two moons means an increase in dignity and rank. For a beautiful woman to see in a dream the moon at its full predicts to her a high standing in fashion and in public admiration. For a young girl or widow to see the moon in full and its face of a dazzling brightness denates a speedy marriage. To jewelers, goldsmiths and bankers this dream is most happy.—Chicago American.

A Selfish Reason

The Straphanger—I'm glad to see a man who has some regard for public health. I see you put your handkerchief to your mouth whenever you cough.

The Seated Passenger — Public health? My false teeth are loose and I'm afraid of coughin' 'em out.—Detroit News.

Good Hard to Match

Any woman who has ever worn a black dress or costume knows how difficult black is to match. No black silk is really black. A piece of silk may seem black to the casual observer, and it may be called black, but it is not really black at all. It is dark brown, or dark blue, or dark red. Matching black goods, therefore, is difficult, because one must be able to tell whether the black has more of brown, red or blue in it and match it to a piece of black goods containing the same color value.

Certainly Not

She—I see here that a man married a woman for money. You wouldn't marry me for money, would you?

He—Oh, no! I wouldn't marry you for all the money in the world.—Chicago Examiner.

Have you made up your List?

Begin today jotting down the names of friends whom you would like to remember at Christmas.

Send each one of them a Christmas Greeting Card. A very complete line at

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GOOD FURNITURE This Christmas

Furniture and our practical gift objects are gifts that will give pleasure to the receiver in all seasons of the year, because they contain true beauty which lasts forever, as well as fine quality which makes them enduring. The prices are reasonable.

DINING ROOM SUITES in Hepplewhite and Tudor styles.

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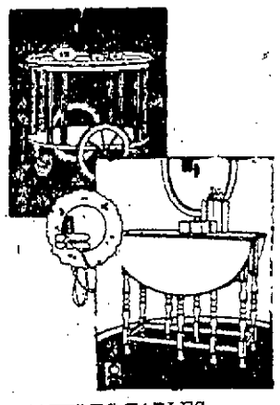

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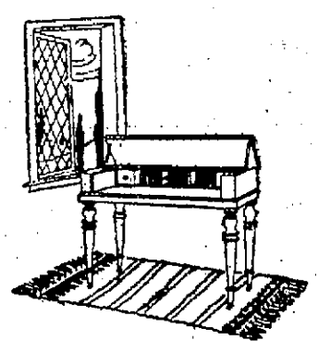

SPINET DESKS—Convenient, durable pieces, retaining the graceful Colonial lines.

A DAVENPORT—Highly upholstered, well constructed and unusually beautiful will make a most excellent gift for your home this Christmas.

DAVENPORT END TABLES—Small handsome Tables which add greatly to the comfort of the davenport.

VISIT OUR GIFT SHOP ON THE SECOND FLOOR
A Large and interesting Christmas line of Photo Frames
Quality Picture Framing.

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Trays	Period Chairs
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When Christmas draws near,
And you're rushing about,
Vainly searching for things
Which they say are "just out,"
Remember—the Shop Late
Jinx is busy.

When your jostled and shoved
In the last-minute crowd,
Just pause for a minute
And say right out loud—
"Folks—it's the Jinx
That makes us crazy?"

You can easily avoid
The trouble some Jinx;
For he never bothers
The person who thinks
And has his Christmas
Shopping done early.

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MANY ARE HUSTLING TO MAKE CARNIVAL HERE A BIG SUCCESS

Various Committees at Work on Preparations for La Crosse's Biggest Event

Citizens of La Crosse will be interested in knowing the manner in which the Carnival of winter sports and fun is being conducted. The committee originally appointed by the Merchants bureau consisted of five men, namely E. G. Von Wald, chairman, J. K. Verhulst, Eugene T. Manning, Carl A. Semsch, and D. S. Greig. When this committe met, it added to its membership Secretary Everinghim of the Chamber of Commerce and elected Mr. Greig treasurer.

The work of the carnival was then divided into six departments. Mr. Von Wald was placed in charge of the Department of cooperation with city officials and with clubs and fraternal orders, to which was added the matter of music. He has named as his assistant chairman Mr. A. F. Mills, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Additional members of his department are F. A. Cotton, Mr. Collinge, H. J. Rooney, B. E. McCormick, J. B. Coleman, A. H. Lee, Chas. Dittman, Chas. S. Cone, Dr. Edw. Evans, R. C. Smith, Wm. Rossiter, John C. Burns, C. L. Lien, L. F. Robinson, J. A. Knoppler, P. W. Mahoney, A. H. Schubert, R. F. Keeler, J. G. Dubeaks, Thos. H. Bailey, Wm. C. Strehl, Wendell A. Anderson, Reuben G. Knutson, J. P. Hurtgen, E. A. Gutterdam, Andrew Lees, Harry Dahl, George Dudley of West Salem, Val. S. Keppel of Holmen and B. C. Stickler of Onalaska.

Mr. Jacob K. Verhulst was made chairman of the Department of Sports and prizes and named Mr. W. J. Wittich as vice chairman and in addition George Mead, Robert Nohe, H. Reuler, J. M. Lyon, Irwin Gerber, Harry Watkins, Dr. T. H. McGovern, Rev. Ambrose Murphy, Miss Catherine Gallagher, Miss E. Gillespie, Miss S. Campbell, Rev. Robt. B. Condon, E. C. Bott, A. A. Insty, Dal. Moore, Myron C. Locke, John E. Langdon, R. M. Keeler, R. W. Keyes, Jr. Jack Bramer, J. M. Holley, Argyle Scott, W. J. Glassbrenner, I. H. Kircher, Edw. P. Frisch, W. C. Greenwall, D. H. Shepherdson, Harry Spence, Rev. T. J. Gamm, Miss H. C. McConville and H. G. Hayden.

Mr. Carl A. Semsch was made chairman of the Department of Decorations, Lighting and Ice Buildings and named as his vice chairman Mr. W. F. Adams. Other members of his committee are Edgar Thornburg, Otto Merman, Aaron Senske, S. P. Markel, Arthur Schwalbe, John G. Felton, Chas. Schwartz, Edward Kobitz, Elmer Warninger, Louis A. Oyen, B. F. Forbes, Chas. Collins, A. O. Colby, Jos. Rudolph, Geo. F. Krause, Jos. Gelwitz, Wm. Bonadurer and Geo. J. Phillips.

Mr. D. S. Greig was made chairman of the Department of Publicity and Finance and named as vice chairman Mark R. Byers. The names of those on the committee for this Department are as follows:

E. J. Olson, F. A. Pruess, James H. Farber, Frank H. Burgess, A. C. Schroeder, C. A. Worth, John L. Hofweber, Leigh Toland, Otto Schuller, A. R. Nelson, Chas. Roeschler, Philip Linker, Henry J. Sjolander, Chas. J. Wachs, Harry Leithold, Robert B. Lowry, J. B. Brenner, George Taylor, R. J. Roy, A. J. Capellen, and Lee Aspelin.

Mr. Eugene Manning was placed in charge of the Department of Parades, Uniforms and Marching Clubs. He selected Capt. R. F. H. Schultz as vice chairman and a special committee consisting of H. O. Williams, E. A. Burns, W. D. McIntire and Clarence Jerue. Additions will be made to this committee in a few days.

E. C. Everinghim was placed in charge of the correspondence and records Department and cooperation with Women's Organizations. He appointed Mr. D. O. Coate as vice chairman and the following to assist when occasion required: William W. West, W. J. Holcomb, T. F. Keegan, Joseph Lennon, Mrs. E. C. Thompson, Mrs. Dr. Geo. W. Lueck, Miss Anna Mashek, Miss Stella I. Trane, Miss Eleanor E. Whiting, Mr. Perry L. Roberts, Miss Ethel Mulder, Miss Leonora Kohlhaus, Wm. H. Fuller, Jr., Herbert F. Zernecke, Oliver J. Ash, L. B. Raymond, Lloyd Lamb, Burton E. James, Miss Helen Dyson, Miss Harriet J. McKinstry, Miss Eleanor Funk, Rev. Claude R. Shaver, C. V. Johnson, Harry Burrows, H. F. Connors, Chas. W. Spencer, P. J. Yerly, P. J. Stone, Otto Schlabach, Jos. F. Bartl, and Mrs. Blanche Chamberlain.

Special events and sections of the necessary work will necessitate details of many others not on these committees, and it is estimated that nearly five hundred people will eventually be required to handle all the details in connection with the Carnival and entertainment of the delegates to the Corn and Grain Show.

The Electrical Pipe Thawer

The electric system of thawing out a frozen pipe requires only a little apparatus which may be carried in one hand. It is merely connected to the electric system by means of an ordinary socket and the current being turned on generates a heat in the pipe which quickly melts the ice. It is possible to thaw out sections of fifteen feet by this means.

A Dam of Ice

At Ashland, Ore., a supply of water for use during the summer is being stored up by means of a dam of ice. The surplus water of the winter is being sprayed over a line across the valley with the result that it freezes quickly in this shape and is forming an immense dam which will hold back thousands of gallons of water and it is thought that this water and the ice itself as it melts during the warmer months will constitute a supply which will carry the people of the vicinity over the dry season.

Children, remember, their dreams more vividly than do adults.

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Back and Chest, Large and Hard. Cuticura Heals.

"I had pimples around my face, neck, back and chest. The pimples were large and hard, and were scattered over my face and neck. They would itch sometimes so that I would feel like scratching my face and body. On account of them I could not enjoy myself.

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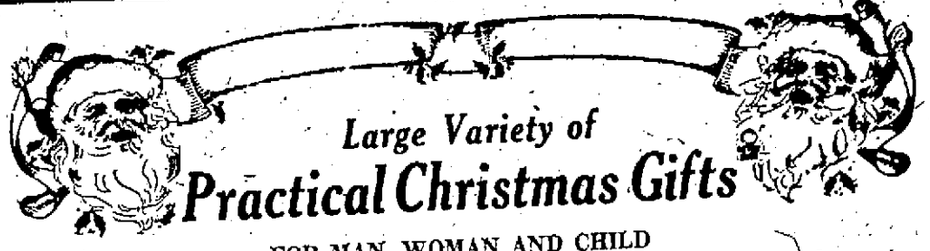

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FOR MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD

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A big stock to select from at very reasonable prices.

SLEDS and WAGONS

Steering Sleds and Coaster Wagons. Every boy wants one.

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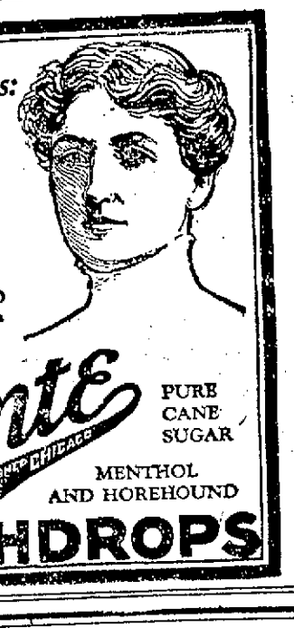

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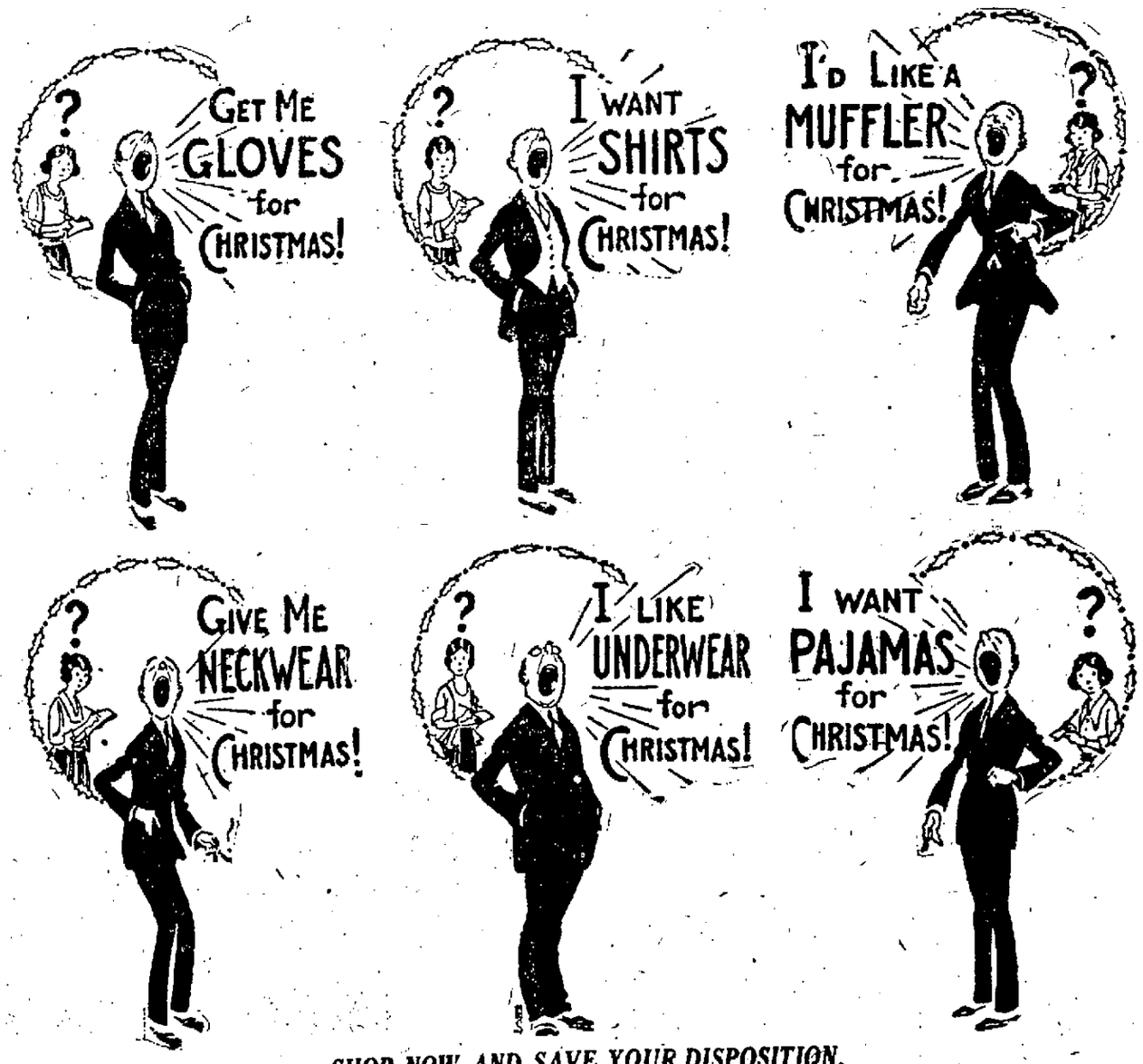
Christmas is near, why not take a hint now ---shop while the assortments are complete.



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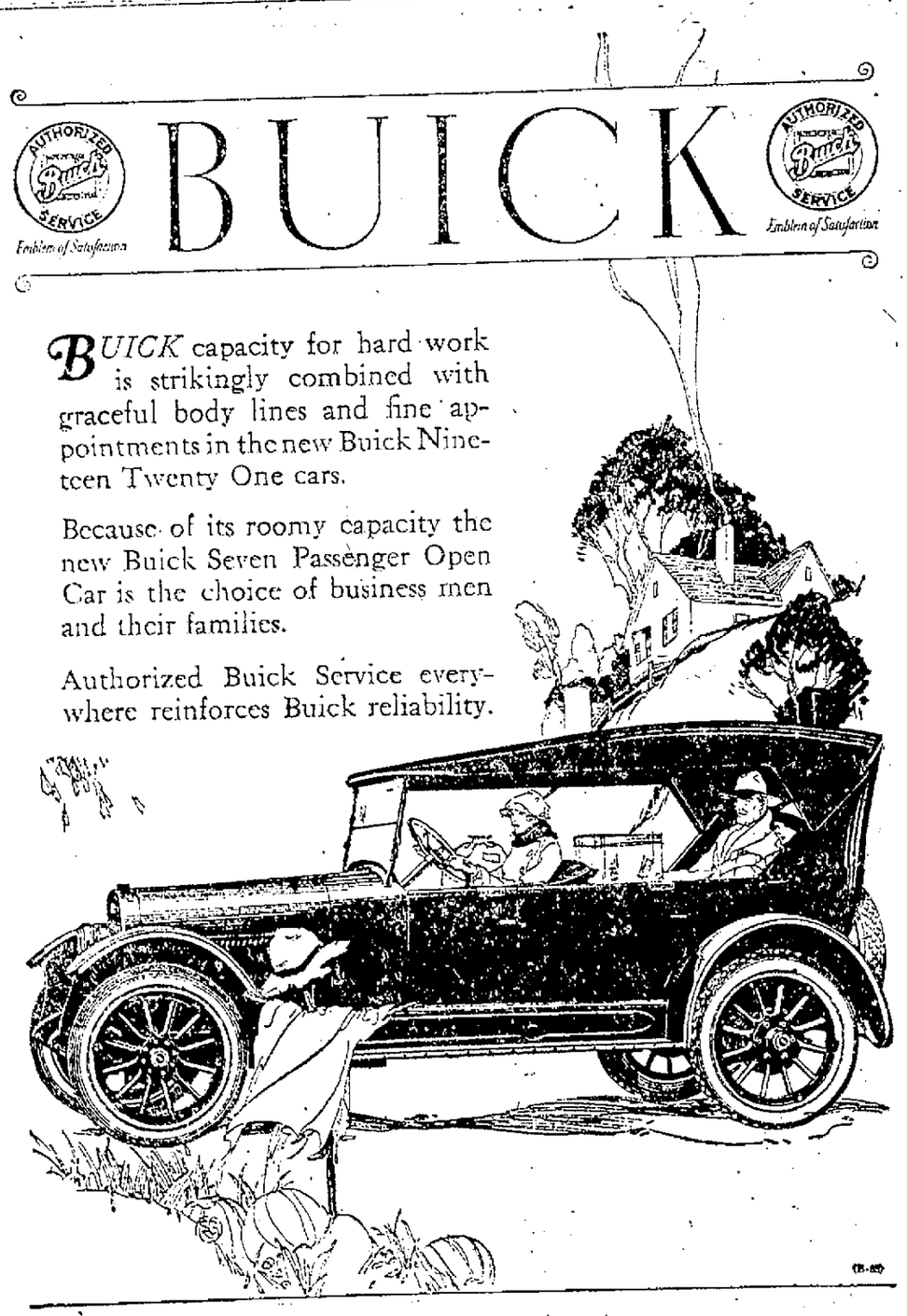

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207 STATE STREET

WHEN BETTER AUTOMOBILES ARE BUILT, BUICK WILL BUILD THEM

"WHAT SHALL I BUY?" IS VEXING PROBLEM OF THE LOCAL HOLIDAY SHOPPERS

"What shall I buy for a Christmas gift?"

This combination of words, ending in a question mark, has no doubt been a popular question, albeit a vexing one at times, among gift purchasers during the shopping days before the holidays.

John has racked his mind in an effort to decide upon some suitable gift for his "friend" over on such-and-such street—while Nellie has likewise gone window shopping for many days with the end in view of searching out something that would just suit John.

In getting the "dope" for this popular gift story, "the inquiring reporter" dropped into several of the leading men's furnishing stores in the city in quest of information as to the most popular gift purchased by the women for the men.

"Well, that's a pretty hard question to answer," said the merchant, after learning the business of the latest arrival in the store. Following a conversation lasting for some time, the reporter left the store with the information that the neck-tie perhaps ranks first among the gifts for the man, and no matter what else the gift seeker may purchase, the neck-tie is almost invariably included in the list. Scarfs and mufflers, both silk and knit, are seemingly worn more this season than ever before and have come to occupy a commanding place among the gifts for the men folks. Next in line comes the shirt, with selections from the cotton fabrics to the best of silks. Gloves and hosiery follow in line, with silk and wool foot apparel at a fifty-fifty proposition. Handkerchiefs, collar bags and other articles termed as novelties, have been popular among the purchasers, together with pajamas in various shades and materials and colorings, including pink ones. However, the gift depends entirely upon the relation of the purchaser to the recipient.

Having accomplished his business, the reporter wandered into a jewelry shop in search of the same information regardless of whether it be for the man or for the woman.

Diamond Rings Popular

Diamond rings were first thought of as a popular gift purchased by the men having in mind the idea of "killing two birds with one stone," and the shop keeper, desiring to impress upon the inquirer's mind that it is being done this year, stated that many of the sparkling jewels had been purchased during the shopping season thus far. The purchasers of such gifts, charged "with intent to marry," have no doubt been contemplating the action for some time, as the reporter was informed that ordinarily, when gift purchasing was left to the men, they usually drop in and grab something at the last minute. Watch chains have been a popular seller as a gift for the man, while pearl beads and bar pins will make many of the fair sex happy at Christmas time. With the war prompting the sale of the fountain pen, it has become one of the most popular gifts this season. Men and women will share alike in receiving an Eversharp pencil as a gift.

In spite of the fact that he inquired at a men's furnishing store as to the popular gift for the man, the news seeker was prevailed upon by his own knowledge to elude the lingerie shops in search of this information, thinking that the men knew nothing of the value and varieties offered in this line.

MAY RUN FOR MAYOR

DES MOINES, Iowa.—Local politicians thing it entirely possible that women may be candidates for the office of mayor and for city council jobs at the next election, 16 months hence. Two women members of the board of education, Mrs. Bert McKee and Mrs. Gilger McKinnon, are being discussed as mayoralty possibilities, and Mrs. M. M. McMichael, former "city mother," has been mentioned for the council.

TOLEDO.—James F. Harding, fireman on the Lusitania when it was sunk off the Irish coast, enlisted in the Fifteenth Field Artillery here.

BANDITS STEAL DOLLS "FOR THE GIRLS"

SAN FRANCISCO.—Bandits entered a doll manufacturing plant and were satisfied to get away with three kewpie dolls. "We'll take 'em, for the girls," they said.

THEY LOOK ALIKE TO JUDGE

TOLEDO.—"Makes no difference whether you wear silk or cotton stockings," says Judge Young, "if cops find booze-making material in your home, the law will jump on your neck."

Clubs existed among the ancient Greeks and Romans, the members of which used to share meals.

STRONG MAN LIFTS TAXI—SAVES BOY

PARIS.—While a helpless crowd surveyed the scene Boulevard Haussmann, the strongest man in France, lifted a taxicab single-handed and released a newsboy pinned beneath it when it overturned. The crowd didn't know that the hero was the famous Haussmann.

POOR NOW, BUT HAS FORTUNE COMING

DES MOINES, Iowa.—Wilbur Clark will fall heir to $35,000 when he is 21. At present he hasn't even warm clothes for winter. Clark's Guardian, George H. Boisford, here, is trying to gain permission to spend a little of the inheritance, now held by W. L. Clark, $2, and said to be of unsound mind, to send the lad to school.

New York had the first temperance society in 1808.

A Washtub + A Washboard

MAKES FOR WEARINESS AND WRINKLES

Spare the wrinkles and worry—use the time you save for recreation or some more congenial work. Phone 388—let's talk it over.

Modern Steam Laundry

312 State Street

Have your Laundry done the Modern way.

Send it to the Laundry

Go ahead

—with that New Edison for Xmas. You can! Let us explain how to use the Budget Plan to pay for it. The New Edison is a *before-the-war* value for an *after-the-war* dollar. Its price is up less than 15% since 1914. Part of this is war tax.

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The NEW EDISON *"The Phonograph with a Soul"*

Why Not Let Us Solve Your Christmas Gift Problem for You?

We have an extensive line of

Christmas Slippers

and you will surely be able to find something in our store which please those who are fortunate enough to receive them. Slippers in beautiful colors for the women and girls, comfortable house slippers in leather and felt, and booties for the kiddies are here in our store and should simplify your Christmas problem.

In addition to our line of slippers, we have a complete line of shoes, the very latest out, all of which have the following characteristics—QUALITY, STYLE, COMFORT and ECONOMY.

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320 Pearl St. The Sign of the Kangaroo.

Why Not Get That Repairing Done at Once?

Do not delay any longer as delays are sometimes costly.

Let us solve your problems as our line of *building materials* is complete.

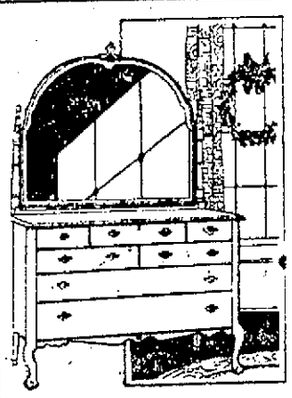
C. L. Colman Lumber Co.

La Crosse, Wis.

New Low Prices on Gifts of Furniture for every member of the family!

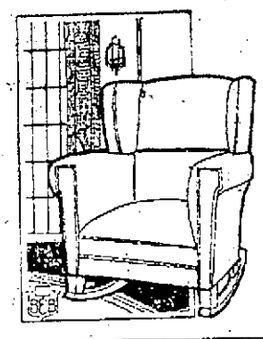
Never before in history have conditions been so favorable for Christmas shoppers as they are this season! Heretofore there has never been a break in prices before the Christmas season but this year is the exception! This store offers you the opportunity to buy Christmas gifts of furniture at lowered prices throughout our entire stock!

And furniture is now recognized as occupying a place in the very front rank among things suitable for Christmas giving. Few articles are as beautiful, none are more useful or practical, and what else will give such genuine joy and so many years of pleasant memory to the recipient? Right now our store is ready with gift furniture—marked down to the new low price levels!



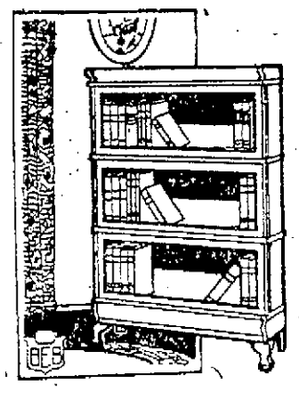
Here's a Splendid Gift

Where is the home in which the wife or grown-up daughter would not appreciate a fine new dresser for her boudoir? And here's the best chance you will have to get one for a long time! For a short time only we are putting extra low prices into effect on our entire stock of odd dressers as an incentive to you to do your Christmas buying early!



Rocker Special

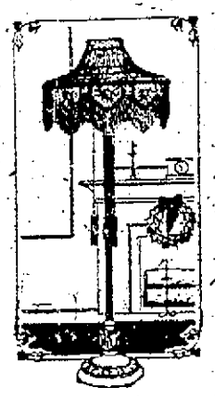
Here is a great, big, comfortable overstuffed rocker that would make a fine gift for dad or that grown-up son in your home! Very well constructed, and upholstered in genuine brown Spanish leather that will wear better than most leathers, it is but $37.50.



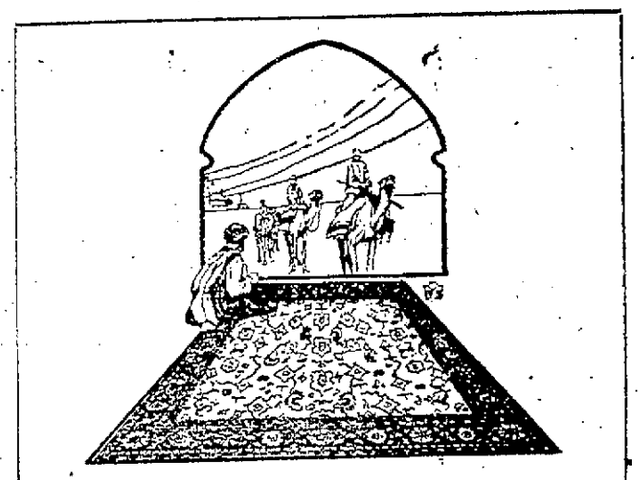
A Book Case Is Always Welcome

If you are looking for something that will always find a ready welcome, why not let your choice be a Macy sectional bookcase? We have them in oak, mahogany and walnut.

A New Floor Lamp Will Bring Christmas Cheer!



With the warm glow of a splendid new floor lamp casting its radiance to every corner of the room, your Christmas festivities in the home will have added charm! Owing to the great popularity of lamps as Christmas gifts, we suggest an early selection with delivery the day before Christmas if you wish.



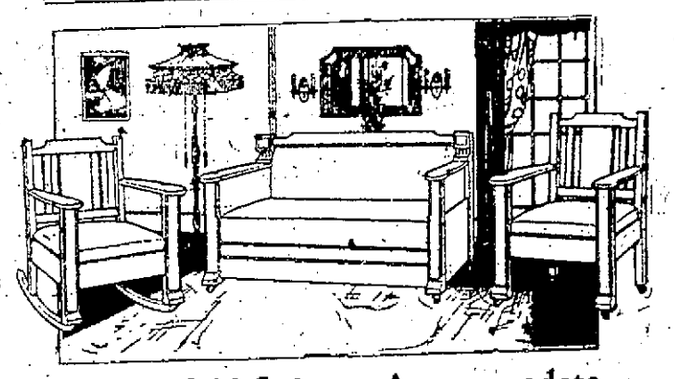
Perhaps You Are Looking For A Beautiful Rug

We have them in every size and quality. An especially large assortment of charming rugs for the bed room, odd rugs in Oriental patterns, and an extra large display of room size rugs in all the latest designs and colorings. Choose your gift of rugs now at our special holiday prices.

A New Bedroom Suite for Daughter!

Many a grown-up miss cherishes a secret longing for a beautiful new bedroom suite all her own! Perhaps your own daughter has wanted this very thing for a long time but hesitated to make her wishes known because of the strain she thought it would be on the family exchequer.

Don't let the need of ready cash make you hesitate about adding gifts of good furniture to your home. By paying a small amount down, we will gladly deliver your purchase and you can pay the balance on easy weekly or monthly payments at your convenience.



A Duofold Suite to Accommodate Christmas Guests

As Christmas visitors often tax the sleeping accommodations of the home to more than their capacity, we are making a special of three-piece duofold suites which enable you to refurnish your living room and at the same time provide extra sleeping quarters for your guests during the holidays.

Complete Home Furnishers

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Your Credit Is Good.

The Screen

AMUSEMENT CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

RIVOLI

Sunday—Dorothy Gish in "Little Miss Rebellion"; Burton Holmes No. 246; Ditmar, "Mammals of Strange Forms."

Monday to Wednesday—Dorothy Dalton in "Half an Hour"; Semon comedy, "Solid Concrete"; Screenic No. 1102, "Horseshoe Falls."

Thursday to Saturday—Enid Bennett in "Her Husband's Friend"; Fox News; Bray, "National Sports Around the World"; Literary Digest.

MAJESTIC

Sunday—E. Hammerstein in "Whispers"; Prizma comedy, "Three Gobs"; Bray, "It All Depends."

Monday to Wednesday—Constance Talmadge in "Fall of Babylon"; Fox News.

Thursday to Saturday—Constance Binney in "Something Different"; Lloyd comedy, "Eastern Western."

LA CROSSE

Sunday—Vaudeville; Universal Magazine; Ford Weekly.

Thursday—McIntyre and Heath in "Hello, Alexander"—road show.

Saturday—"Katzenjammer Kids"—road show.

BIJOU

Saturday — William Farnum in "Wolves of the Night"; Sunshine comedy, "Musical Sneeze."

CASINO

Sunday—Lyons and Moran, "Fixed By George"; Mann comedy, "Bashful Blacksmith."

Monday—George Walsh in "From Now On"; "Call a Kop."

Tuesday—Sessue Hayakawa in "Li Ding Lang"; Pollard comedy, "Go As You Please."

Wednesday—Bessie Barriscale in "Life's Twist"; Century comedy.

Thursday—William Russell in "When a Man Rides Alone"; "Dangerous Nan McGrew."

Friday and Saturday—Buck Jones in "Just Pals"; "Son of Tarzan," No. 8.

STRAND

Sunday—Mabel Normand in "The Slim Princess"; Pollard comedy, "Go As You Please."

Monday—Lyons and Moran, "Fixed By George"; "Daring Danger."

Tuesday—George Walsh in "From Now On"; "Dangerous Nan McGrew."

Thursday—Sessue Hayakawa in "Li Ding Lang"; Semon comedy, "Solid Concrete."

Friday—All star, "The Servant Question"; "He Married His Wife."

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RIVIERA

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VAUDEVILLE SUNDAY

The La Crosse Theater was very fortunate in getting two big feature acts for Sunday's show besides three other good numbers. Topping the bill are Dora Dean and Her Six Dancing Comedians. A whirlwind comedy act from start to finish.

The Orpheus Comedy Four, a quartette known all over the U. S. as "The Grouch Killers" come here direct from Minneapolis and the papers say that they made such a hit up there that they stopped the show.

For Premier Xylophonists it will be hard to beat Sullivan and Mack. Charles and Jean Lewis offer fifteen minutes of clever singing and neat patter. Martell and West have a very unique comedy acrobatic novelty.

RIVOLI THEATER

Dorothy Dalton, for several years one of the leading stars of Thomas H. Ince, makes her debut as a stellar light of the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation in Sir James M. Barrie's "Half an Hour", a Paramount photoplay, which will be shown at the Rivoli Theater next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Henceforth she is to be starred exclusively in Paramount productions and some of the best stories obtained have been purchased for her use.

Her versatility on the screen has been displayed in such pictures as "The Price Mark," "Love Me", "The Flame of the Yukon"; "The Dark Mirror," "The Market of Souls"; "L'Apache," "His Wife's Friend," and many others.

As Lady Lillian in "Half an Hour", she is an aristocratic young wife and she unquestionably adds another character achievement to her repertoire. Others in the cast include Charles Richman, Frank Losee and Albert Barrett.

TRUE LOCAL COLOR

Few people realize the amount of care taken in the selection of locations for modern screen comedies. "Solid Concrete", which will be shown at the Rivoli Theatre on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, is no exception. Larry Semon, Vitagraph comedian, is director as well as scenario writer of all his comedies, and with each new production he has three functions to fulfill. In "Solid Concrete" the action takes place in a large stone quarry, and stone crushing machines, gigantic cranes and a fully equipped blacksmith's shop were a few of the properties needed.

ENID BENNETT COMING

A cast of exceptional worth supports Enid Bennett in her latest Paramount starring vehicle, "Her Husband's Friend", which is to be the feature attraction at the Rivoli Theatre on Thursday, Friday and Saturday next.

Tom Charterton who plays the part of Princeton Hadley, the "friend" was with Thomas H. Ince in the old days of Inceville. Roland Lee, has displayed ability in a wide diversity of parts and shortly is to direct a picture of his own. Mae Busch, Aileen Manning, George Pierce, and Robert Dunbar are all players who have made names for themselves in Thomas H. Ince productions.

Miss Bennett's role is that of a young wife, who, when she becomes a widow, is unaware that her husband's best friend has promised to care for her. Neither have met and while the young widow believes that the money she receives regularly comes from her husband's estate, the friend soon begins to squirm under the burden imposed upon him. They meet in queer circumstances and presto! Cupid gets busy. How they travel the road of love makes a highly entertaining story.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

"Whispers," a new social drama with Elaine Hammerstein, Selznick's youthful star, which plays the Majestic today only was filmed for the most part in Washington, D. C., the nation's capital, and it is said to contain some of the most elaborate and impressive sets ever constructed for a photoplay.

In this new play Miss Hammerstein is said to give an unusually delightful performance in the role of "Daphne Morton", who has lived all her life with an aunt, a social pretender, always hard up and always hoping to bring about a rich marriage for her niece who is, really, only a means to an end. Of course the aunt has a youth wich much money and no brains who is the candidate for Daphne's hand.

And through this muddle of her aunt's, Daphne becomes involved in a divorce scandal. Pat, a reporter, is assigned to the case. How Daphne with the aid of Pat, reasserts herself is said to make a very entertaining and absorbingly interesting production.

In the cast supporting Miss Hammerstein are Matt Moore, Phillipps Tead, Charles Girard, Ida Darling and others.

"Whispers", written by Marcus V. Connolly, was adapted for the screen by George Proctor. William P. S. Earle directed.

DOROTHY GISH TODAY

At last Dorothy Gish has fallen for the Royal Purple. Yes, it's a fact, the popular little comedienne will be seen as her Royal Highness to the steenth degree when she appears as the heroine of "Little Miss Rebellion" at the Rivoli Theatre today only.

If you have any doubts as to Dorothy's right to wear the royal robes, just glance at her titles in "Little Miss Rebellion". She is known as Her Sublime Grace, the Grand Duchess Maria Louise, hereditary Countess of Blavatski, Countess of Warsaw, Honorary Colonel of the Life Guard, and a dozen and one other titles too numerous to mention.

And this same titled little lady finds herself with a heavy date to go to a ragtime dance with Mike Casey, of Dayton, Ohio, onetime private in the United States army. And Her Highness, etc., etc., keeps the date too.

"Little Miss Rebellion" was made for laughing purposes only, and if you know your Dorothy Gish you know what that means. It is one of the funniest Paramount pictures thus far turned out for Miss Gish and her company of associate players and is an all-comedy company.

AT THE CASINO

"It's all right to play a 'fixer' in a comedy," says Lee Moran, who is appearing in "Fixed by George" with Eddie Lyons at the Casino today. "In real life, though, of all the beings deserving to be called 'heel', 'cheese,' 'egg' and 'fish' the fixer merits first place.

"The 'fixer' is the bird who knows just what to do when your watch stops. He fixes it so you'll have to buy a new one.

"He knows how to put more kick in your home brew. He fixes it so strong that it bursts the bottle and floods the cellar.

"He knows how to fix the motor cop when you get arrested for speeding. He fixes him so diplomatically that you go to jail.

"He fixes a quarrel between you and your wife and makes it permanent instead of temporary.

"But he's punished sooner or later. Probably by 'fixing' some girl's broken heart and getting married to her."

In "Fixed by George," Lee Moran is a characteristic "fixer." He meddles with everything, and in trying to fix a quarrel between a doctor and his wife, gets himself into a mix-up that keeps the characters in hot water and the audience in a roar of laughter.

OLD FRIENDS COMING

After an association of forty-six years, dating back to 1874, McIntyre and Heath, the famous black-face comedians are coming to the La Crosse Theatre Thursday night Dec. 23, in a concoction of tom-foolery that is a cross between the gloriously blazing musical extravaganza and the old time minstrels. It is called "Hello, Alexander," which the Messrs. Shubert produced at the 44th Street Theatre in New York, and has since been sweeping along with a riot of laughs.

In those days of over-night stars, when temperamental artists are with one management today and another tomorrow, the association of McIntyre and Heath is one of the really wonderful friendships of the American theatre. It is not an uncommon thing in the personnel of any company to have one star belittle another, for an actor or an actress to kill the scene of another, but is rare, as in the case of these black-face comedians, to have, for instance, Heath say that McIntyre is the best comedian on the stage, the best friend any man ever had, etc. and then go into the dressing room of McIntyre and have him say that in his profession or out of it he has never met a man whom he thinks as much of as Heath. Friendships of this sort are rare enough in private life, but when they extend into the theatre today, it is at once evident why these minstrels have played together over a span of nearly a half century, long after other teams have had their fling and are now forgotten by the theatre-going public.

"Economy", we heard a man say the other evening, "is a way of spending money without getting any fun out of it."—Boston Transcript.

"FALL OF BABYLON"

D. W. Griffith's "Fall of Babylon" produced on an even more elaborate scale than "The Birth of a Nation" and "Hearts of the World" comes to the Majestic Theatre three days starting Monday, Dec. 20.

Some idea of the startling magnitude of this latest of the Griffith super-pictures may be gained from the statement that it cost more than $650,000 to produce, is presented by a company totaling 125,000 men and women, has 7,500 horses taking part in the great chariot races and pageants attending the Feast of Belshazzar. The great walls of Babylon, with their giant height of 300 feet and the spacious boulevards built upon their tops; the wonderful halls in the Temple of Belshazzar, halls a mile in length, with giant elephants of alabaster rising up along their sides; the vari-colored lights that play and glow upon the fountains of perfume and wine; the dancing girls, the High Priestesses, and all the mighty splendor and luxury of those ancient days—these are not the outstanding features of Griffith's "The Fall of Babylon."

As to the players who interpret the various characters are mentioned Constance Talmadge, George Fawcett, Mildred Harris (Mrs. Charles Chaplin), Tully Marshall, Pauline Stark, Seena Owen, Alma Rubens, Kate Bruce, Alfred Paget, Elmo Lincoln and others who have long been identified with the higher grade motion pictures.

A special musical score by Louis Gottschalk adds to the further enjoyment of the spectacle, and the photography by G. W. Bitzer is of the same artistic standard reached in "Hearts of the World" and other Griffith features.

COMES ON CHRISTMAS

Theater goers who fail to find anything new or entertaining in the theatre these days will have to admit they are wrong. George M. Gatts, the New York producer, is presenting a new cartoon musical comedy called "Katzenjammer Kids", made from the comic cartoons of the colored supplement and brought to the stage by John P. Mulgrew. He has done his work well, for the transition from the colored page to the stage has only served to emphasize the fun of the kids, Hans and Fritz, Ma Katzenjammer, Der Captain and the other characters in this amusing series. It's a play for kids—from 6 to 60—and whether you are a blase, tired business men or a busy housewife, you can't afford to miss the opportunity of seeing this really funny musical play when it comes to the La Crosse Theatre for a matinee and night performance Christmas Day.

It's for the kiddies too, so bring them along by all means. But its fun is the sort that can be appreciated to the fullest extent by the grown-ups as well. And besides, it contains two score of jolly song hits, composed by Donald H. Bestor. And the chorus! Well, we'll let you judge for yourself. They're peaches, and no mistake.

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Ducks at 35c to 40c; Geese, 30c and Chickens, 25c to 32c Prices for La Crosse

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES CHEAPER THAN YEAR AGO

Slight Reduction Noted for Some Foods

TURKEYS will be plentiful for Christmas, according to La Crosse poultry and meat dealers, but the prices are the same as were asked at Thanksgiving when there were not many birds on the local market. Turkeys are bringing 60 cents a pound,

geese, 30 cents. Ducks, 35 and 40 cents, and chickens 25 to 32 cents.

The cost of vegetables and fruit is considerably less than the figures of a year ago. There also is a slight reduction from the prices asked at Thanksgiving just passed. White potatoes are 10 cents lower per bushel at present as compared with the price obtained at Thanksgiving. Butter is 58 cents a pound, three cents more than the Thanksgiving price. The following is a table of prices of today compared with those of a year ago:

Celery, stalk, today 5, 8, 10 and 15c; year ago, 18c.

Leaf lettuce, today, 40c; year ago, 50c.

Head lettuce, today, 15 and 20c; year ago, 25c.

Cauliflower, today, 30 and 40c each.

Wax beans, today, 30c pound; year ago, 40c.

Green onions, today, bunch, 10c.

Cucumbers, today, each, 35c; year ago, 25c.

Cranberries, today, 18 and 20c pound; year ago, 18 to 20c.

White potatoes, today, $1.40 bushel; year ago, $2.25 to $2.50.

Sweet potatoes, today, 8c pound; year ago, 10c.

Grapefruit, today, 10, 12 1-2 and 15c each year ago, 15c.

English walnuts, today, best 40c pound; year ago, 50c.

Black walnuts, today, 7 1-2c pound.

Almonds, today 30 and 40c pound.

Hickory, today, 10c pound.

Assorted nuts, today, 30c pound.

Bananas, today, 3c pound.

Cabbage, today, 8 and 10c each; year ago, 8c.

Fancy apples, today, 40c dozen; year ago, 60c.

Home-grown apples, today 7 1-2c pound; year ago, 15c.

Eggs, today, 70c dozen.

Butter, today, 58c a pound.

Mince meat, today, 35c a pound.

Plum pudding, today, 50c to $1.00 a can.

Tomatoes, today, 30c a pound.

Radishes, today, 10c a bunch.

Head lettuce is five cents cheaper than it was a month ago while cucumbers cost 15 cents more.

ARTIFICIAL COAL IS MADE IN GERMANY

BRUSSELS.—It has been announced here that an engineer named Baschlicher has succeeded in manufacturing by a simple process artificial coal of great heating capacity. It is made with the vegetable refuse from peat beds, of which Germany possesses a great number. The new fuel, which is called "gasol" coal is said to have a heating capacity of 7,500 units and burn with a bright flame. It leaves no cinders.

MINISTERS FIGHT DANCES IN SCHOOLS

HUNTINGTON, W. Va.—"Dances in the public schools," horrors, say the ministers of this city. Because the Parent-Teachers' association advocated dancing for students under supervision of the faculty, the ministerial association threatens action.

It Impressed Him

They had been discussing art, and the young man was getting tired of the subject.

"I remember one picture that brought tears to my eyes," he said.

"Ah, it was some pathetic subject," murmured his fair companion.

"As a matter of fact, I don't know what the subject was, but I happened to be sitting under a heavy picture when the cord broke and it came down on my head."—Chicago Examiner.

A Foregone Conclusion

"Mamma, Mr. Cotrox has proposed to me."

"Do you love him, dear?"

"Oh, yes, mamma, very much. He is worth a million."

"Of course you do. How stupid of me to ask such a question."—Boston Transcript.

A Sign of Progress

"French restaurants are far behind ours in one respect."

"And that is?"

"The mademoiselles haven't learned to stick their worn-out chewing-gum under the edge of the table."—Home Sector.

A Secret

Anna—She told me you told her that secret I told you not to tell her.

Mary—The mean thing! I told her not to tell you I had told her.

Anna—I promised I wouldn't tell you as she told me, so don't tell her I did.—Cincinnati Inquirer.

UNDER THE CAPITOL DOME

Odds and Ends of State Affairs by William J. Anderson

MADISON, Wis.—It takes $285,000 a year to maintain the Wisconsin Industrial Commission. Of this total $40,000 is used in administration of the workingmen's compensation act $50,000 in maintaining employment offices, $95,000 in fire and accident prevention $10,000 in administering the apprenticeship law, $30,000 in enforcing the law against women and child labor, and the remainder goes into general administration. During the past year in the administration of the compensation act alone, the Industrial Commission has adjusted compensation in accident cases to the amount of $2,250,000.

George J. Weigle, dairy and food commissioner says the explanation of the marked drop in dairy products during the past ten days may be found first in the closing down of condensaries which has greatly increased the supply of cream for butter-making, and secondly in the demoralized condition of foreign exchange which interferes with exports. Mr. Weigle has been elected district president, with jurisdiction over ten states, of the American Drug and food Association. One of the particular tasks this association has undertaken is to secure uniformity in the drug and food acts of the various states. An illustration of the need of such uniformity is found close at home. The Minnesota laws require but 80 percent butter fat in butter put on the market while Wisconsin laws require 82 1-2 percent, which places the Wisconsin butter producer at a disadvantage.

The Wisconsin system instituted by the state department of agriculture of ridding county by county of diseases of bees and prohibiting the importation of inspected hives into the clean territory is now being copied by other states. Canada also is planning to put the Wisconsin plan in operation. It is a similar plan, also originating in Wisconsin, which the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture is carrying out in relation to bovine tuberculosis. Prof. Norgord, Commissioner of Agriculture, spoke recently of his system for eradicating tuberculosis before the Saddle and Sirloin Club of Chicago, and since then is receiving letters daily from other states enquiring about the system.

How many tractors do you suppose are now in use on Wisconsin farms? Your guess would probably be too low. J. A. Becker, joint crop statistician for the state and Federal departments of agriculture has just completed a tractor census and he finds that there are 9,790 tractors now in use on Wisconsin farms. Mr. Becker's silo census shows that the farmers of Wisconsin have 81,970 silos in yearly operation.

The Division of Markets reports that the light shipments during the past month on the railroads have wholly eased up the car shortage. In fact the railroads have notified the division that they have cars now for all requirements.

Up to the close of the fiscal year in June 30, 1920 the year's receipts for automobile licenses were $8,117,000. This big sum is mostly expended in the construction and maintenance of highways, under the supervision of the State Highway Commission. It costs the state to administer the automobile license law 3.4 per cent of the total receipts from licenses in round figures $106,000. After this is deducted 25 per cent of the total receipts is turned over to the counties for highway maintenance. About $168,000 is used to administer the the highway laws through the state commission; $339,000 is certified to the secretary of state for Federal aid construction. The largest single sum taken out of license receipts is for maintenance allotment. This for the past year was $1,750,000.

With seventeen of the seventy-one counties yet to hear from there has already been voted by the county boards of fifty-four counties, to expend on road and bridge construction and maintenance the coming year under the State Highway Commission nearly eleven million dollars. The counties yet to hear from are among those which have big highway programs, so this sum will be materially added to.

The regular session of the Wisconsin Legislature of 1919 cost the state for salaries of legislators and salaries of officers and employees $149,315. The session lasted 204 days. The Iowa Legislature of 1919 was in session but 97 days and the legislative salaries and salaries of officers and employees amounted to $238,590. Mr. A. J. Hazelwood, Secretary of the Wisconsin Civil Service Commission compiled these figures to show the economy of having legislative employees under civil service control as they are in Wisconsin and as they are not in Iowa.

Chief Engineer Hirst of the Wisconsin Highway Commission delivered an address in Washington, D. C. this week in which he condemned the disregard shown in highway construction for the convenience of travel on highways. Unmarked detours, he asserted were required which impaired travelers' clothes, vehicles and their religion and caused enormous economic loss. Mr. Hirst condemned also the road-building theory which insisted on building only permanent and expensive pavement and disregarded the traffic requirements over all the highways in the unit. He urged that the first business of scientific highway construction was a make passable all roads used by traffic, and let the construction of permanent pavement come later. "Serve the traffic" was his slogan.

The State Board of Education has cut the budget of the state department of public instruction about 60 percent, according to the figures given out. The budget of the University was cut about 20 percent, and that of the normal schools about 25 per cent. The reason given for this mighty slash is that before any increases can be given Superintendent Cary's department, that gentleman must explain why his department spent more money the last biennium than he was allowed by the Legislature. Mr. Cary contends that the University is being favored at the expense of the common schools which are in his charge. It is safe to say that most of the departments over-spent their appropriation, as Mr. Cary did, the past biennium, as expenses of all kinds, especially salaries were materially increased.

KEPT HAT ON AS CHURCH PROCESSION PASSED; IMPRISONED

VIENNA.—The state of religious freedom in the Austrian republic is illustrated by the fact that a man has just been sentenced to two weeks imprisonment for failure to remove his hat when a Corpus Christi procession was passing on the street. He pleaded that he was a free thinker and furthermore that it was a bitter day and he was a sufferer from affliction of the head that made it dangerous to be uncovered.

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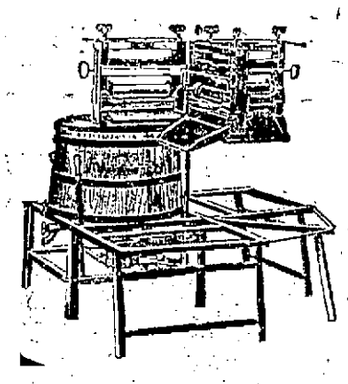

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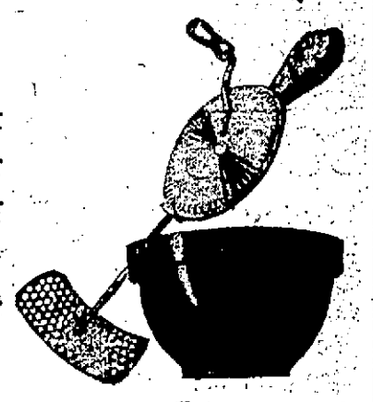

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The committee on sports have announced a part of the program to be staged in connection with the Winter carnival and it is urged that young and old, alike, begin preparations and lend themselves to take part in La Crosse's big show to be held here in January.

Numerous skating events, to be held either on the rink now under construction on the Market square, or at Pettibone lagoon, in connection with Winter carnival are being arranged by the committee in charge, and they are going to be for the young folks as well as the older people.

These skating events have been classified into four groups including, the Midgets, children under eleven years of age, the Juniors, eleven to thirteen years inclusive, the intermediates fourteen to sixteen years inclusive and the Seniors. These classified twenty years inclusive. These classifications have been made primarily to include the grade school pupils and and the high school. In addition to this classified event it is planned to stage an open race for amateurs in which any racer may participate. Skaters from the surrounding towns are planning to enter the event.

Prizes Offered

In each group of the classified event there will be four material prizes offered, such as sweaters, and skates. Medals will be awarded the winners of the amateur racing event. Distances in both cases will be announced later.

So get our your skates.

The outdoor sport of skiing has not been forgotten. Junior and Senior classified events for school children will be taken care of in the arrangements and the points will be awarded on the distance and form scored by the performer. An open event in this sport is also planned by the committee. A twenty-five to thirty foot slide will be erected and outsiders will be invited to come in and participate. It is thought that the University of Wisconsin ski club will be represented in the event, and it is the urgent request of the committee that local talent enter and try for the material prizes which will be offered.

So get out your Skiis.

Hockey to be Prominent

The game of ice Hockey will command a prominent position among the events staged in connection with the Winter carnival and in the face of the abounding facilities for the sport surrounding La Crose, an attempt will be made to bring this game, which has become a major sport in many of the colleges in the country, into a permanent position in the sportlight in La Crosse. W. J. Wittich, of the normal school, will write several articles in explanation of the game to appear on this page and it is assured that everyone in the city will know how to play "before the carnival comes." A team will be formed at the normal school, as well as on the north side and an invitation may be extended to outsiders.

So get out your hocky stick.

Dog Derby

Another event that will prove to be interesting is the Dog Derby, in which children under fourteen years of age may participate, with one dog permitted to a single sled. The distance of the race will be in the neighborhood of a half mile.

So get out your dog.

The events listed represent the main competitive program to be pulled off and everyone is urged to begin work at once and prepare for entering one or all. The date of entries and distances will be announced later.

CHURCHES IN CITY PERFECT PLAN FOR ATHLETIC LEAGUE

Events Designed for Betterment and Enlargement of Crurch Enrollment

At a meeting held in the Y. M. C. A. last Tuesday evening a number of representative members of the various churches of La Crosse perfected plans for the organization of a Church Federation Athletic League, a league of athletic teams representing the various churches of the city. The teams will meet each other in the Y. M. C. A.

Athletics is a part of the program most often omitted because of the lack of gymnasium or hall large enough to play the various games, it was said. The teams will meet in basket ball, base ball, track, swimming, and volleying, according to the announcement.

The object of the league is to work for the betterment and enlargement of the churches in La Crosse, by developing character through athletic contests and making church attendance a condition of membership.

It was then decided to conduct a basket ball and volley ball tournament throughout the winter months and to organize teams for the various athletic events in their season. After a short discussion election of officers took place with the following results:

Pres—W. S. Stewart; Vice Pres—L. Nelson; Sec.—James Peterson; Treas—Martin Stenerson.

The President then appointed the following committees: Basket ball—C. Knudsen, chairman, Art Renner, James Peterson, M. J. Lyon.

Volley Ball—O. Muenster, chairman; F. Brink, W. Bader, Rev. Shaver, A. F. Mills.

It was further decided to have three classes of contestants for the various events, namely: two unlimited classes; under 67 inches and over 67 inches and one class for the younger boys under 14 years of age.

WILLARD EXPECTS TO TRAIN THREE MONTHS FOR BOUT

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Jess Willard, former heavyweight champion, expects to train intensively three months in preparation for his bout to regain the title from Jack Dempsey in New York, March 17, according to a statement made here by Ray Archer, his manager.

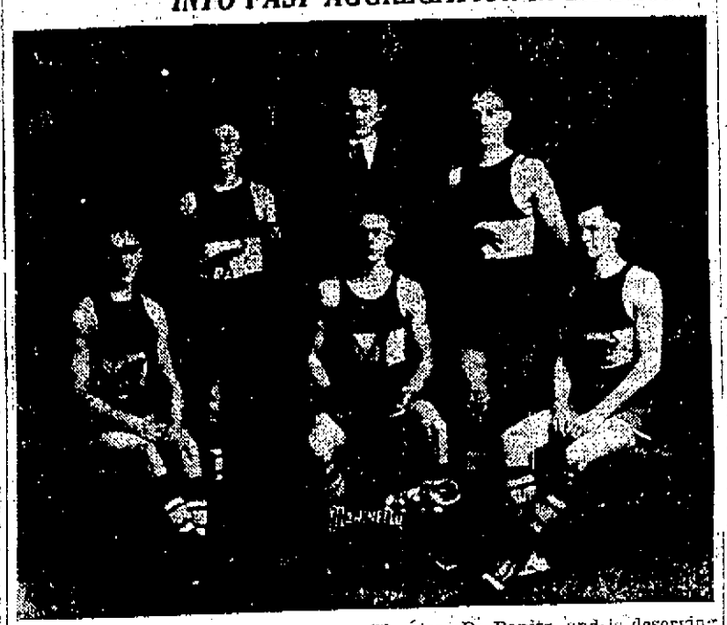
Archer came to Kansas City from Lawrence, Kans., the home of the former champion to confer with Hugh Walker, a heavyweight concerning the employment of Walker as one of Willard's sparring partners. Walker will meet Capt. Bob Roper, heavyweight of the American Expeditionary Forces, in a bout here December 26.

Discussing the coming bout with Dempsey, Archer said: "Willard isn't thinking about money. He wants to prove to the public that he was not himself at Toledo."

SET COLLEGE RECORD

BERKELEY, Calif.—The University of California baseball team set a new college record last spring by engaging in 42 contests. Since the Golden Gate athletes have won the football palm of the west experts are digging into the school's athletic prowess.

MARINELLO BASKETBALL QUINT DEVELOPS INTO FAST AGGREGATION IN LA CROSSE



The Marinello basketball team, organized and made up of players of the Marinello E. M. B. A. was organized early in the season and through consistent hard practice has developed into one of the fastest teams at 140 pounds in the city. The coaching of the team is under the direction of Theodore De Ranitz, and is deserving of much credit in the organization of the quintet. Reading from left to right the players are as follows:

Standing: Alois Lepsch, Coach Theo. De Ranitz, Louis Falb.

Seated: Philip Wein, Capt. Pitzner and Kenneth Jenks.

TY COBB SIGNS UP TO MANAGE TIGERS FOR NEXT SEASON

Generally Believed that Cobb Will be a Playing Manager of Club

NEW YORK.—President Frank J. Navin of the Detroit American league club, announced here today that he had signed "Ty" Cobb as manager of the "Tigers" for next season. Mr. Navin declined to state what the salary inducement was. Appointment of Tyrus Raymond Cobb as manager of the Detroit Americans, to succeed Hughey Jennings, who resigned October 15 last, puts one of baseball's most spectacular and talked of players in a managerial berth.

Cobb joined the Tigers in 1905, coming from the Augusta club of the South Atlantic league. He went into the outfield and in his first season batted for an average of .240.

In 1906, however, he started his climb toward fame and in 1911 he developed into a .420 batter. His fiery style of play, both on the bases and at the plate, caused him to be spoken of as one of the greatest drawing cards in baseball. For twelve years he led the batters of the American league, with marks well above .400.

It is generally believed that Cobb will be a playing manager as he said last season that he was not through.

FITZGERALD MEETS MILWAUKEE SKATERS

MILWAUKEE. — President Fitzgerald of the Western Skating Association arrived from Chicago today to take part in a conference with officials of the Municipal Skating Association and C. A. Rush, Wisconsin representative of the western body. The schedule of business included awarding the sanction to the local skating association to hold the northwestern skating championship race here January 23.

MIRACLE STUFF

SEATTLE — Enoch Bagshaw, coach of the Everette (Washington) High school eleven and former University of Washington star, may return to his almost mater as its grid mentor. His teams have lost two games since 1911.

One of the comforting things that time teaches us is, that mighty few things are as bad as they look to be or are said to be.

VARSITY TEAM NOT PEAK OF PYRAMID IN "U" ATHLETICS

All Sports Carefully Organized to Furnish Competition in Athletic Events

PLAN IS TO DO AWAY WITH ROUTINE GYMNASTIC WORK

Over 4,000 Students Compete in Athletic Events

MADISON, Wis. — Wisconsin's ideal of athletics is not the varsity team, but is rather the development of men with character tested and improved by the trail of games, T. E. Jones, director of the athletic department said in explaining intra-mural athletics at the university. Replying to the criticism that college athletics are only for the few, he says he has built up a system of intra-mural sports at Wisconsin that brings practically every man into training.

His plan has been to do away with the routine of general gymnasium exercises, given to undergraduates of most colleges, and to substitute in its stead the impetus of competition furnished by athletic rivalry. Every sport except football has been carefully organized, with inter-college, inter-class, inter-company, inter-fraternity, inter-boarding house, inter-society, all-university, and freshman-varsity teams.

4000 in Competition

Over 4,000 students as members of some athletic team has been the result of this competition, Coach Jones said. There are at present over 600 doing track work. Over 150 were engaged in cross-country running under Coach George T. Bresnahan. The number playing basketball will total approximately 1,000, it was said, while baseball literally brings out thousands, under Coach Guy S. Lowman. Director Jones has made each coach responsible for intra-mural contests in his sport.

"I like to think of our system as a pyramid," Coach Jones said. "We have the whole student body which should be engaged in some form of athletics, which in a large measure is engaged under intra-mural plan. From these men, the teams are picked for competition. The best of these make class and college teams, who gradually develop until they are available for the varsity squad, and from these are chosen the team that represents the university.

"Wisconsin does not consider the varsity team, the peak of the pyramid, its ideal of athletics. The whole system is the ideal that we aim to perfect, to afford training for every student sent to the university. There is no one who will not develop by careful athletic training and our ideal is to afford everybody this opportunity."

Intra-mural basketball, track swimming, boxing and wrestling are in greatest sway at present, according to Coach Jones. Hundreds are playing basketball at every opportunity, with the three floors in use whenever the varsity is not practicing. The track is crowded from morning until it is closed in the evening.

As recognition for accomplishment and to furnish an added incentive to participation in sports, a number of awards are given, it was said. The Nelson Trophy for Intra-Mural Sports presented by the university by Regent A. P. Nelson in December, 1915, is the most coveted award and goes to the college winning the highest number of points in one year.

Numerals are awarded to players who make class teams, with banners and places for inter-company, inter-boarding house and inter-literary society winning teams. Loving cups are awarded in the fraternity contests which bring out hundreds.

IN THE SPORT MIRROR

BY "BANGS"

Perhaps no greater honor can come to any football player than to be named as a member of Walter Camp's All-American eleven. This noted football mentor has been picking his mythical elevens since back in the 80's, but his selection for this year represents, in his opinion, a far greater breadth of ability of every member of it than any selection he has ever made.

Camp has stated that the development of the game has put additional requirements on each individual position, so that players have acquired an undreamed of limit of football ability and smartness.

Although not a member of the team during his attendance at the La Crosse High school, Ralph Scott, who was awarded a tackle position on Camp's mythical eleven, is claimed by the school to have taken his kindergarten training here. Scott attended the local high school up to his sophomore year, at which time he moved with his family to the state of Montana. Little was heard of Scott then until in 1916 he entered the University of Wisconsin and during his initial year at the school, played center on the yearling team. In the three years following, the former La Crosse man was given a permanent berth on the varsity squad and by reason that he possessed great football power due to his weight, was awarded one of the tackle positions on the famous mythical eleven.

Scott will not be eligible for the representative team at Wisconsin next year, having played three years, but during the remainder of his stay at the university, will act as an assistant to Coach Richards.

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The Ohio State eleven may not be the only middle western football team that will journey westward shortly after Christmas to stage an event in the Tournament of Roses at Los Angeles on New Year's day.

Providing the state championship of California can be definitely settled by the first of the year, the Superior High school football team, claimants of the Wisconsin title for the season of 1920, may go to that state for a game with the California champions during the Tournament of Roses held there. Superior High school has been prominently mentioned in the Los Angeles newspapers as one of the teams which might be asked to come to that city for a western championship game. The game is being sponsored by Wisconsin and Minnesota people in California.

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Although Jack Dempsey earned the victory over Bill Brennan by the kayo route after a dozen rounds of hard fighting, it was the contending Irishman who won the plaudits of the customers. The fact that Brennan has given the champion two of his longest and hardest fights suggests that he might make a mighty good choice for Georges Carpentier's sparring partner when the Frenchman goes into training for his show.

Some experts are of the opinion that Brennan and Carpentier would make a more even match than Dempsey and the foreigner. But since Carpentier is next in order to furnish the entertainment for the champion he might do a lot worse than engage Leo P. Flynn's brave heavyweight to show him how to stay twelve rounds—more or less—with Dempsey.

Brennan could demonstrate to Georges the American touch and everything that he has learned from the champion. If when Carpentier comes to this country to prepare for the big match he sticks to his own countrymen for sparring mates he will not be able to appreciate American boxing until after he gets in the ring. Brennan could wise him up in a lot of little minor and major details on how best to play with the socking champion.

U. S. LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION TO MEET FEBRUARY 14

NEW YORK.—The date for the annual meeting of the United States Lawn Tennis association tonight was set for Saturday, February 14. Award of various campionship tournaments and the 1921 Davis cup challenge round, should the American team, now at Auckland, win the international trophy, will be the outstanding features of the meeting.

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Wheat Flour, per barrel, in 24½-lb. paper sacks	10.95
Wheat Flour, per barrel, in 12½-lb. paper sacks	1.15
Wheat Flour, per barrel, in 5-lb. paper sacks	11.90
Wheat Bran, per ton, in 100-lb. sacks	37.00
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(Quoted by Hawley Commission Co.)

Fresh eggs	75c
Creamery butter	52c
Dairy butter	50c

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(Quoted by John C. Burns)

Apples, Greenings, bu.	$1.75
Apples, Ben Davis, bu.	2.00
Apples, Orleans, bu.	1.75
Apples, Northern Spy, bu.	2.00
Apples, Baldwins, bu.	1.75
Apples, Jonathans, box	3.50
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Cider, pure juice	6.50
Lemons, "Sunkist," box	4.50
Lemons, choice	4.00
Florida organges, all sizes, box	4.50
Oranges, Sunkist	6.00
Bananas, per lb.	.10
Cabbage, per doz.	2.00
Grapes, Emperors, per keg	7.50
Begas, per bd.	1.75
Cranberries, Wis. per bbl.	13.00
Celery, per dozen	1.00
Oysters, Standards, gal.	2.65
Grape Fruit, per box	5.00
Peanuts, roasted, per lb.	12c
Sweet potatoes, barrel	6.00
Carrots, bd.	2.75
Onions, Red Globe, bd.	1.75

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Lambs	$6.00 to $8.00
Sheep	$3.00 to $4.00
Hogs	$7.00 to $8.00

(Quoted by Hy. Andereggi)

Brick cheese	22-25c
Twin cheese	26-28c
Daisy cheese	27-28c
Limburger cheese	27-29c
Swiss block	30-35c
German hand cheese	1.50
Prim ost	14-16c

Every Woman Has "Golden" Hair

Every woman who prides herself on her long, unmated tresses—no matter what their hue—posses golden hair today. In the countries where it is the custom for the women to sell their hair, the price today is more than double that of four or five years ago. Frizzy hair is seldom required nowadays, but golden hair undoubtedly fetches golden prices. This is on account of its comparative rarity. Surprising it is, too, that white hair is very valuable, and this color of hair is more eagerly sought after than the now fashionable deep-red varieties. Ordinarily fair hair comes next in value, with brown and black still less costly.

The real trade in hair is done in foreign countries. Peasant girls in France, Belgium and Italy sell their hair at regular periods to agents or specially-appointed collectors. This hair is mostly of the fair and black variety, while most golden hair is obtained from Scandinavia. Coarser kinds of hair of every hue come from China and India.

"Wheel Turning" to Escape Taxes.

Many people who have been driven, owing to the shortage of houses in England to take up their abodes in caravans, and in railway carriages and tramcars tht hve outlived their use such, have learnt the old gipsy trick of "wheel turning" in order to evade paying the inhabited house duty.

The law is that a vehicle used as a dwelling house is liable to the duty if it remains stationary in one spot. On the other hand, the owner thereof is absolved from paying it if the wheels of his caravan, carriage or tramcar, as the case may be, are turned completely round once every yer.

Consequently, when the tax collector calls at a permanetn gypsy camp anywhere in England, there is a general wheel-turning. Every caravan simultaneously moves forward about two yards—and the dwellers can live duty free for another year.

Where a gipsy encampment is a large one, "wheel-turning day" is kept up as a sort of movable feast, work being suspended for the occasion, and dancing and other sports indulged in.

The United States consumes a quarter of the world's sugar.

Short Story
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A GIFT FOR MOTHER

BY RUBY DOUGLAS

A chilly November rain drizzled down on the streets, Bob Hancock was piloting his sister through the busy shopping district. They walked close to the big plate glass windows for two reasons; to keep more nearly dry and because Jane Hancock insisted that she got most of her ideas for gowns from the window displays.

"But there is more room out on the outside edge of the walk, Jane," her brother protested. He did not select this way to spend his morning, but his sister did not know the city well and was afraid to go alone.

"And I can't see a thing out there, Bob," she insisted, hugging the inside pathway.

Since Jane was to be married soon and this trousseau shopping was all important to her, Bob gave in and said no more. But his face was the face of a martyr.

The two became separted by the crowd and when Jane looked about for her brother she did not see him. She stood still and looked up and down the street. Her eyes lit up as she spied him, his own face close to a window a few feet beyond. She had expected to see him standing on the curb swinging his stick.

"Bob," she said, "I thought you were lost."

"I am," Bob replied quickly.

Then Jane followed his gaze. Its object was a very lovely face—the face of a young woman who was dressing a window with fluffy feather fans, beaded handbags, vanity cases and other truly feminine accessories.

"What do you care about feather fans, Bob," asked his sister.

Bob laughed a little embarrased laugh as his sister looked him in the eye.

"I—I was considering one for mother as a Christmas gift," he said lamely.

Jane laughed aloud. "Now, Bob, what on earth would mother do with a great jade green ostrich feather fan out in Fostoria?"

Bob's eyes traveled over the other pretty things with which the lovely woman was decorating the window. "How about a bead bag?"

"Mother has one," replied Jane discouragingly.

Bob was silent for a moment while he stood and feasted his eyes on the girl.

Suddenly he turned toward the entrance to the shop. "I am going to buy a Christmas gift for mother while I am here, Jane," he said. "Do you want to come?"

Jane could not refuse to come, but she thought her brother had gone suddenly mad. Heretofore, it was all she could do to drag him into a department shop, and now he was making a straight line into one of the biggest and most crowded of them.

They found the fan counter.

"Mother never uses green—she thinks it's bad luck," whispered Jane as Bob asked to see green feather fans.

"Mother gets in a rut about her clothes—and everything. This will cheer her up," said Bob. "No", he was saying to the clerk, "I want one that is fluffier—greener. I—I saw one in the window just now."

Jane was speechless with amazement. Was this her brother Bob?

After a few moments the obliging young clerk said that she would try to get the one in the window. She started off in the direction Bob had indicated. "I'll just go along," he said, "to be sure it's the right shade. Just a minute, Jane," to his sister, who was leaning against the counter, dumb with surprise.

"It seems too bad to put you to this trouble," Bob said, hypocritically to the clerk as they approached the back of the big windows.

"Nothing is too much trouble when people are obliging to us," said the girl.

She slid back the mahogany door that gave entrance to the show window. "Oh, I beg your pardon, Miss Fellows, but I have a customer who would like to see that green fan. Do you mind handing it to me?"

Meantime Bob had pushed his way to the very entrance of the window space and was looking into the face of the window decorator.

The clerk looked from her customer to the decorator and from the decorator back to the customer. Then being quick witted, she detected the fragrance of romance.

"Jean," the man was saying.

"Bob Hancock—in New York?" the decorator gasped. She handed the green fan mechanically to the clerk.

"I've been waiting five years to hear from you, Jean. I am here to help Jane buy her wedding clothes. When may I see you?"

"Your sister Jane? Is she old enough to be married? She was only thirteen—then."

The clerk pulled at the fluffy green fronds of the ostrich feather fan. "Do you want this, sir? May I have it wrapped?" she asked, looking for an excuse to disappear.

"Oh—a—yes. I'll be back in a moment," Bob hastened to say. Then he turned to Jean. "I—have given up playing poker and—and doing all the other things you objected to, Jean. May I come and tell you about it—please? I'm so tired waiting—I love you so."

Jean Fellows looked about, frightened, lest some one hear her receiving such words from a customer of the shop. "I—I live at 204 West Seventy-eighth street—third floor, Bob. Bring your sister."

"Oh—to-night," Jean said, and there was something in her eyes that made Bob realize that he would not need his sister as chaperone that evening.

When he returned to Jane, waiting none too patiently at the counter, he had a happy but somewhat guilty expression.

"Jane, I have found Jean Fellows at last. You don't remember her, of course, but mother would. She—she was my girl five years ago back home in Fostoria, but—well, she didn't trust me enough to promise to marry me. I played poker, you know, and did a lot of things that men do and——"

"And she ran away from you"? Jane asked. Herself in love, she could appreciate the bringing together of two lovers.

Bob nodded. "She did, and I have been unable to find her until I saw her decorating that window just now."

"And poor mother has to suffer with a green feather fan for a Christmas gift—because of it, Oh, Bob," chaffed his sister.

"Mother can have it dyed," Bob said firmly. "But have it for Christmas she shall."

"She can wear it to the wedding—and I'll be matron of honor, Bob. Oh—I'm so excited," Jean said as they left the shop.

But Bob did not hear her—he was seeing the look in Jean's eyes when she told him to come—"to-night."

Thimble Inventor a Benefactor

At first thimbles were rather costly and only well-to-do people could afford them, but afterwards when made of lead and other common metals by machinery they became cheap. Their use was a great relief to all who had much sewing to do, and blessings were invoked on the inventor. The Dutch finger-hat (finger-hood) became in England the "thumb-bell," from its bell-like shape. It was originally worn on the thumb to parry the thrust of the needle pointing through the material, and not, as at present, to impel it.—Merrill Herald.

The Restless Machine

Redd: "See that automobile standing across the street?"

Greene: "Yes; I see it."

"Notice how it sort of jumps."

"Sure; it's restless. It probably sees some people crossing the street and it wants to get to 'em."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Double Disaster

"What's the excitement down the street?"

"An explosion of home brew."

"Any fatalities?"

"Yes. Deacon Crableigh's reputation as a prohibitionist and a pillar of the church blew up with the brew."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS — HELEN IS NOT GOING TO TAKE ANY CHANCES — BY ALLMAN

HAS CLOVER THAT'S NINE FEET HIGH

AMES, Iowa.—Clover 10 feet high has been grown by C. E. Honkomp of Ashton, Iowa, from seed discovered by accident by the Iowa state agriculture college in 1916, and developed there for distribution. Another Iowan who grew clover from the same seed had stalks nine feet tall, that had to be propped up to keep them from breaking with the weight of blossoms and bees.

A Common Trouble

"I got a letter from my husband from Paris."

"How is he getting on with the French people?"

"He says they are very nice and polite, but they don't seem to understand their own language."—Baltimore American.

Shoe Brush in the Vanity Bag

One of the newest features to be introduced into the vanity bag is a shoe dusting brush. It is meant for use after a dusty walk and is contained in a small circular box. For use the box is merely opened and out pops the duster on the end of a spiral and with this it is possible to make use of it on all the surfaces of the footwear without leaning over.

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Happy Surprise Party Given at the Schmidts in Honor of Mr. Schmidt's Birthday

WEST SALEM. (Special) — The second number of the Lecture Course by the Chicago Orchestral club was given on Tuesday evening at the high school auditorium at 8:15 p. m. It was well attended and a very pleasing entertainment.

Mrs. B. A. Mau entertained the whist club at her home Wednesday evening.

About twenty friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schmidt on Tuesday evening. The occasion was in honor of Mr. Schmidt' 48th birthday. A birthday supper was served.

Mrs. Bertha Swennes and her brother, Mr. Bye, were pleasantly entertained at a supper party Sunday evening in honor of Mr. Bye's birthday. They also entertained on Monday evening.

Mrs. Gus Tofsen and Mrs. John Steensen entertained the S. O. E. club on Tuesday afternoon at the Steensen home.

Mrs. Earl Flausberg and daughter, Dorothea who have been guests at the home of Mrs. Flausberg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Sprain, left on Wednesday for their home at San Francisco, California.

Miss Dorothy Waite and Miss Margaret Bolles came home on Saturday from Appleton to spend the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Clayton Viets, Mrs. George Middlebrook and Miss Nellie Smead entertained on Saturday the ladies of the birthday club at a one o'clock dinner at the Viet's home.

Rev. Davis of Pennsylvania, a candidate for the pastorate here occupied the pulpit at the Federated church on Sunday. Mr. Davis expects to stay about a month.

The Misses Mary and Lizzie McEldowney left the past week for Fort Worth, Texas, where they will spend the winter with their sister, Mrs. Cora Van Wormer and their niece, Mrs. Homer Adams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Esmiller of Great Bend, Kansas, who came here to attend the funeral of their uncle, Mr. Henry Esmiller have returned home.

Mrs. William Walters entertained a few friends at tea Monday evening.

A picnic supper was served at the home of Mrs. William Stone, on Monday evening.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Labus, Jr., a daughter, on Tuesday, Dec. 2.

Mr. Charles Coburn spent a few days at Madison the past week, visiting his sister.

Miss Ida Kommerstand of Onalaska was a week end guest at the Milton Mishaelson home.

The Study Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Mary Dudley on Monday afternoon, Dec. 20th. The lesson will be Chapter eight in the Study Book. Leader of meeting, Mrs. Clara Kerinse.

Miss May Bei Thompson a teacher in the Baldwin School for girls at Nanschung, China, for the past eleven years, spent a few days here this week a guest at the home of Mrs. Lulu Gilfillan and Mrs. G. B. Wilcox. Miss Thompson was a former teacher in the West Salem high school. She gave a very interesting and instructive talk on her work in the Baldwin School at the Study club meeting, which was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Hitchcock.

Mrs. William Van Zandt was a recent guest of relatives at Winona.

Mrs. Thorwald Gullickson and Mr. Harrison Storandt left on Sunday evening for Alamosa, Colorado.

Polo had its origin in Persia before the Christian era.

A ton of water in the Atlantic has thirty-one pounds of salt.

CAR WOULDN'T STOP SO HE STOPPED IT

TOLEDO.—A street car wouldn't stop for him so G. S. Comte stopped it himself by pulling the trolley off the wire. He was arrested.

SHE SHOOTS 'EM FROM BACK DOOR

FRANKFORT, Ky.—Mrs. Jackson Morris, wife of Kentucky's adjutant general, is so handy with a gun that when she wants a chicken killed, she merely steps to the back door, takes aim with her 22 rifle, and the chicken falls with a bullet in its head. She uses a gun brought from Belgium by the adjutant general and presented to his little son.

OAK HARBOR.—John Schlunz offers $100 reward for information as to who entered his barn and cut off a cow's tail.

WHAT'S THE COLOR OF YOUR VOICE?

LONDON.—Captain Alban Roberts, scientist here, has demonstrated apparatus by which he reproduces to color value the tones of the human voice. He translates to a rainbow the voice of a singer and will show how the singer has more red or more green or violet in his voice than Caruso.

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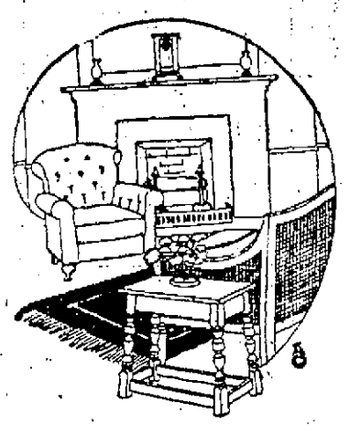

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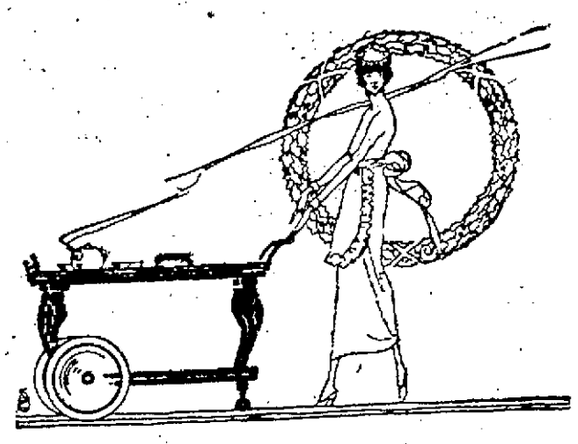

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Every $55.00 SOLID MAHOGANY CHAIR or ROCKER..... **$42.50**
Every $60.00 SOLID MAHOGANY CHAIR or ROCKER..... **$47.50**
Every $60.00 SPINET DESK, solid mahogany, for **$47.50**

Every $80.00 SPINET DESK, solid mahogany, for **$65.00**
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Every $65 GATELEG TABLE for **$50.00**
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Every $70 GATELEG TABLE for **$55.00**
Every $30.00 TEA WAGON for **$22.50**
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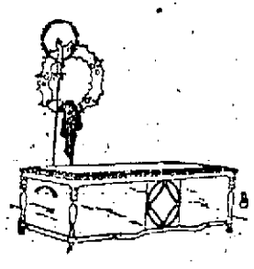

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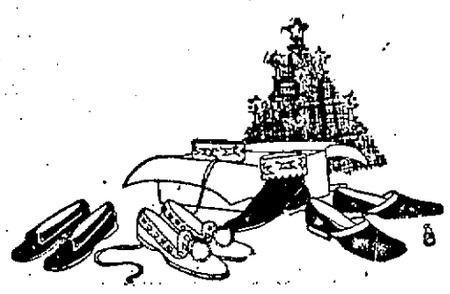

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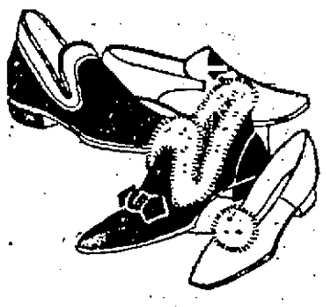

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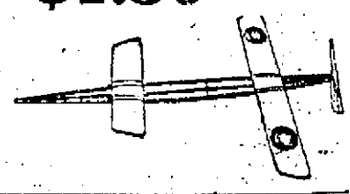
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